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PRISONERS' DEFENCE

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HAD THEY AN OBVIOUS PURPOSE?

Counsel's Plea in Alleged Arson Trial.

"We do not demand in these Courts that, because a heinous crime has been committed, somebody must be caught. The fact that you may entertain the gravest suspicion against these men will not be a warrant for your depriving them of their liberty for participation in this crime.

"They might have got themselves entangled in very unhappy circumstances. Ask yourselves whether these men had an obvious purpose, and were thus in criminal agreement. If you can find any fact at all inconsistent with such an hypothesis, then this case comes to an end."

These were the closing words in an eloquent plea for the defence made to the jury at the Assizes by Mr. Jenkin this morning.

Mr. Jenkin appears on behalf of Li Sui-ping and Li Yuen, his son, who are charged with conspiracy to commit arson at 77, Wing Lok Street, on the night of October 18. A third prisoner, a foki, is undefended.

WHAT IS CONSPIRACY?

Mr. Jenkin, commencing his address, said:—"You will have noticed from the course of my cross-examination that insofar as any evidence was lodged in this case of the preparation for the alleged crime of arson itself I asked no question at all. It is no part of first and second prisoners' defence that the laying of this trail of inflammable material could not be treated by any tribunal as an attempt, and a very gross attempt, at the commission of the crime of arson. Their defence, upon which I shall trust, is this—that they have not conspired either amongst themselves, or with other persons unknown, to commit this crime."

Explaining the meaning of conspiracy, counsel went on, "Conspiracy is a crime consisting of an agreement amongst several persons to commit an offence. It has been permitted for juries in this connection to draw the inferences on certain facts submitted by the Crown that there must have been an agreement, otherwise the actions of the people could not be accounted for. But in the drawing of these inferences certain rules have been laid down. The rule most quoted is that of Mr. Justice Earle where he says that if you find that several men are doing several things at different times, and the acts are of such a nature that they are for an obvious purpose then it is permitted to assume that the agreement is provided."

Proceeding with his argument, counsel said, "Of each fact in this case which is brought home to any prisoner, is that fact obviously indicative of an agreement to commit the crime of arson?"

Two Primary Factors. Counsel pointed out that the jury should not fit in with any inference they drew any suspicion they might entertain, or any preconceived notion they had formed. Expanding the point, he further asked them to consider two factors on the question of obvious purpose. They must first ask themselves if there was any one fact consistent, and consistent only, with prisoners' guilt. If there were any other hypothesis, the case for the prosecution failed. Further, was there one fact inconsistent with the theory of guilt? "If so it brings down like a pack of cards, any allegations which may have been made, even inferentially, as to the guilt of the prisoners."

Insurance Point. Counsel then went on to analyse the Crown's evidence in detail, relying always upon the point of obvious purpose toward a criminal agreement. As regards the insurance, he asked whether it must be said that the insurance of the premises at Wing Lok Street was for the purpose of committing arson. He contended that the evidence did not support this view. He added, "You will find as regards any one fact in this case that its obvious purpose was not for the commission of arson, the insurance of the premises at Wing Lok Street."

Trail No Evidence. "For the purpose of conspiracy the fire need never have happened," added counsel. "The crime is one of agreement. The finding of a trail, therefore, cannot possibly be taken as evidence, as it does not point to any agreement between anybody."

"There is not a little of evidence to show that either first or second prisoner ordered the inflammable material found at No. 77," said Mr. Jenkin. "Who did it, nobody seems to know. Lee Cheung, and his companions, who presumably have bolted, may well have done so. Because it was ordered and because it was at No. 77, and because some of it went first of all to Po Tai, and also because it was the only conclusion to which I can fairly come that first or second prisoner must have been involved. Is it not the most reasonable conclusion to draw from the evidence that the material was brought to the house by the prisoners?"

VICEROY'S POWERS

SHOULD REMAIN.

India Unable to Defend Herself.

DEPENDENT ON ARMY.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Conservative attitude towards Indian claims to responsibility with due safeguards at a federal centre was debated in the federal structure sub-committee of the Indian Round Table Conference to-day by Sir Samuel Hoare, one of the Conservative section of the British delegation. Conservatives, he said, insisted upon safeguards, not because they wished to put difficulties in the way of India's advance, but because the difficulties were in India itself—hard facts of credit, financial obligations, defence, and minorities. As India was dependent upon the British Army, defence must be regarded as a Crown subject. This led to a whole series of problems in attempting to create a responsible executive, such as, should a defence Minister be in the Cabinet, and, if so, how to reconcile his responsibility to the Crown with the responsibility of other Ministers in the legislature. So also with the minorities question.

Formidable Doubts. He pointed out that none of the conditions which were associated with the idea of a responsible Government in Britain appeared to exist at present in India. An Indian Cabinet would not be unitary in the British sense. The more he thought of the difference between the Indian position and the British the more formidable became his doubts. It might be that he had exaggerated the difficulties, but he was certain that a constitution such as that suggested by Mr. Sapru would be so complicated and vulnerable to criticism that it would be workable only on the basis of wide acceptance and good will in India itself and they had not evidence at present that such would be forthcoming.

He doubted the wisdom of attempting to apply the British House of Commons system to an all-India federation. He was against setting up a popular assembly on the lines of the House of Commons by direct election, because the huge size of India and the conditions of its population would make any imitation of the British political system impracticable.

"Fill in the Picture." He questioned the wisdom of attempting the impossibilities of a theory of Cabinet responsibility upon a Government that would differ in all respects from the British Government. He feared it would end in weakening the Viceroy's position and in making the central Government of the great continent in which there was much inflammable material unstable at the very moment when they were introducing the

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man who has bolted—the man who should be in the dock?"

No Financial Distress. "It has been laid down that one favourable circumstance will overcome any number of unfavourable ones," Mr. Jenkin went on. "For instance, was it suggested that prisoners were in financial distress of any kind? Not only was it not suggested, but the evidence was the other way. They are two reputable business men in Macao, the presence of whom can be reasonably accounted for in Hong Kong. On such evidence it cannot be obvious that they should be treated as criminals."

The evidence of No. three prisoner, Mr. Jenkin dismissed with scorn, stating that he tried to save his own skin at the cost of his master. He characterised his evidence as "the craziest story man ever told," especially in view of the fact that he had stated he was asleep in the house at a time which it was agreed was just previous to the fire. "Counsel asked whether if this witness had been detailed to carry away the books as he had done, he would have been asleep at such a time?"

Mr. Jenkin having concluded the address to the jury, the Court rose, and adjourned till 10.30 tomorrow morning.

ATTEMPTED PIRACY.

HAKKA MEN CHARGED AT CENTRAL COURT.

REMAIND IN CUSTODY.

In connection with the attempted piracy to which the H.M.S. Somme was sent, as reported in Monday's *China Mail*, twelve Hakka men appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with attempted piracy on a cargo junk, off Pedra Blanca.

Detective Inspector W. Shannon, for the prosecution, applied for a week's remand in Police custody, which his Worship granted.

[It will be recalled that the Naval message, received by the Police here, stated:—As a result of information received from the s.s. Hang Sang to the effect that a junk was being piloted by two pirate junks near Pedra Blanca, H.M.S. Somme was sent to investigate. H.M.S. Somme took charge of the three junks and suspects, and returned with them to Hong Kong, where the suspects were taken over by the Police authorities.]

STOP PRESS

London, Yesterday. Following the hearing of the evidence of the Court of Enquiry into the Lucia incident, orders, it is reported, were given last night cancelling the instruction to the Lucia to leave her moorings to-day in readiness to sail with the Atlantic Fleet on its Spring cruise on Thursday. It is understood that the "L" class of submarines (which form one of the most important units of the Spring manoeuvres), of which the Lucia is dependent, will also be unable to leave Plymouth. The movements of the cruiser Norfolk, whose captain is one of the members of the Lucia Court of Enquiry are also, it is reported, cancelled.—Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day. Wilhelmson's agents deny that the s.s. Tricolor was carrying munitions to China other than 100 cases of "safety" cartridges from Hamburg which were loaded on the poop, while it is understood that the explosion occurred amidships.—Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day. There is a growing agitation against the new tariff on woolen goods, which severely penalises Bradford. The duties are very complex, but it is estimated that the import tariff on all-wool cloths under six ounces per square yard, approximately 3/6 per lb. for 6 to 12 ounces and 3/1 per lb. for twelve ounces, 30 per cent. ad valorem. Tweed suitings and overcoatings are especially affected.—Reuter.

Washington, Yesterday. "The situation is desperate and if not mended soon there will be a revolution," declared Senator Heflin in raising the question of distress and unemployment in the poorer agricultural districts in the Senate. Referring to the incident in New England and Arkansas, Senator Heflin threatened to obstruct all Government legislation, until Bill providing for loans of \$15,000,000, which the House of Representatives rejected, had been passed.—Reuter's American Service.

New York Yesterday. The Amalgamation is announced of the International Mercantile Marine and the Roosevelt Shipping Companies.—Reuter's American Service.

Paris, Yesterday. The body of Marshal Joffre was transferred to Notre Dame last night in preparation for the funeral to-day. The streets along which the procession passed bore a gloomy aspect, all lamp-posts being draped in black and sky signs extinguished as a mark of respect. Instead of fixed bayonets the guard surrounding the barge bore torches en route to the cathedral, the hearse being driven under the Arc de Triomphe to enable the body of the Unknown Soldier to be interred.—Reuter.

RESULTS OF 'VARSITY

EXAMINATIONS.

List of Scholarships and Prizes.

SUPPLEMENTARY PASSES.

The following scholarships and prizes have been awarded on the results of the Matriculation and Local Examinations held in November, 1930:—

KING EDWARD VII SCHOLARSHIPS.

1. Douglas Hunt — Queen's College.
2. Kong Sau-yui — King's College.

MONTARGIS FRENCH PRIZES.

Matriculation and Senior.

1. For candidates from Government Schools.—Miss Barbara Budden — Central British School.
 2. For candidates from Non-Government Schools.—Peter Augustus Tran Ba Tu — St. Joseph's College.
- Junior Local.
1. For candidates from Government Schools.—No award.
 2. For candidates from Non-Government Schools.—Chin Meng Lilabhan — St. Joseph's College.

SUPPLEMENTARY PASS LIST.

- I.—Matriculation Examination. Central British School—No. 246, Miss Yvonne M. Langley (Dist. English).
- II.—Senior Local Examination. Queen's College—No. 288, Li Cheung.
- Diocesan Boys' School—No. 288, Chan Kwok-ping.
- St. Paul's College—No. 294, Fung Kau-u.

JUNIOR LOCAL EXAMINATION.

- St. Joseph's College.
- 110 candidates entered: 39 Passed, 53 Failed, 13 Absent.
- No. 451, A. R. Abbas (Dist. Arithmetic and Mathematics); 452, R. Abdullah; 454, E. A. Alves; 458, G. M. Britto; 462, A. Castro; 463, Chan Kin-cheong (Dist. Mathematics); 465, S. Chan Look; 469, Chin King-yung; 470, Chin Meng Lilabhan (Dist. French); 475, Chow Dick-cheung (Dist. Mathematics and Mechanics); 476, Chu Hok-yuen; 479, A. Cordeiro (Dist. Arithmetic); 481, G. Edward (Dist. Arithmetic, Chinese, Chemistry, Mathematics and Mechanics); 490, I. G. Johnson; 492, Kam Chan-man; 493, Khoo Yen-hee (Dist. Mathematics); 498, Lau Wing-kwong (Dist. Mathematics); 502, Lee Pak-lui; 504, Leung Chee-min (Dist. Mathematics and Mechanics); 507, Li Yuk-im; 509, Ma Wing-fat (Dist. Arithmetic, Mathematics and Mechanics); 514, Ngo Cheng-hai (Dist. Mathematics and Mechanics); 517, J. O'Sullivan; 519, Pak Mau-fun; 522, H. A. de Barros Pereira; 523, Poon Chor-on; 527, R. M. V. Ribeiro; 535, A. L. N. da Silva; 537, J. A. Silva; 539, R. M. da Silva; 540, Slim Penkait; 543, A. M. Souza; 551, A. D. Williams (Dist. Arithmetic); 552, O. R. Wing Lee (Dist. Arithmetic, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Mechanics and Biblical Knowledge); 553, Wong Hok-tang (Dist. Biblical Knowledge); 554, Wong Shun-wing; 555, Won Sui-in (Dist. Arithmetic, Mathematics and Mechanics).

- Queen's College.
- 83 candidates entered: 28 Passed, 53 Failed, 2 Absent.
- No. 562, Au Yeung-chiu (Dist. Chemistry and Mathematics); 563, Chu Chee-chak; 569, Chu Kwoon-ip; 570, Chung Sui-on; 581, Hui Sau-tin; 582, Hung Kit-chiu; 583, Hung Mo-chiu; 584, Im Sam-chuen; 589, Lai Chi-kong; 591, Lau Tin-chak (Dist. Chemistry and Mathematics); 593, Lee Chung-fat (Dist. Mathematics); 595, Lee Sui-hung; 597, Leung Tung-choi; 605, Li Hong-wing; 612, Mak Kam-yung; 614, K. Nazarin; 617, Pang Yik-chuen; 618, Poon Tso-yam (Dist. Mathematics); 619, Pui Kam-yung (Dist. Mathematics);

STRANDING OF THE S.S. KUTSANG

MARINE COURT INQUIRY.

Fishing Junks and Bright Lights Confusing.

MASTER'S OPINION.

At the Marine Court this morning, an inquiry was opened into the circumstances attending the stranding of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's s.s. Kutsang outside Lyemooon Pass on the evening of December 17.

The Court of Inquiry was constituted as under:—
The Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., (retired), President, and Lieut.-Comdr. L. G. Addington, R.N., (H.M.S. Tamar), Capt. J. A. Stewart (s.s. Ixion), Capt. C. Howe (s.s. Paludina), and Capt. A. Hall (s.s. Telemachus) assessors.

Mr. D. L. Strellett, instructed by the China Coast Officers' Guild, appeared for the master and officers of the Kutsang, Capt. V. McC. Liddell, Mr. R. A. Bell Suer (Chief Officer), Mr. M. R. Smith (Second Officer), and G. A. Angus (Third Officer). Mr. E. Davidson had a watching brief on behalf of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., owners of the ship. Capt. T. T. Laurensen, D.S.C., secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, was also present.

After Mr. Strellett had remarked that the main facts were known, namely, that the stranding occurred on December 17 at about 8 p.m., whilst the Kutsang was on a voyage to Hong Kong from Calcutta, via Singapore, the President called evidence.

MASTER'S LONG CAREER.

Captain V. McC. Liddell, giving evidence, said that he was master of the Kutsang and held a master's certificate No. 1764-H.K. The Kutsang, he said, was owned by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., of Hong Kong. He had been employed by the company for the last 31½ years and first had temporary command of the ship in 1904. He received his first permanent command in April, 1908, on the s.s. Cheong-shing, which was on the Hong Kong-Tientsin run and brought him to Hong Kong every fortnight or three weeks. In 1915 he was transferred to the s.s. Kumsang, and in 1918 took command of the s.s. Nam-sang on the Hong Kong-Calcutta run. This brought him to Hong Kong practically every month. After returning from leave in 1921, witness was sent to Britain at the end of that year to bring out the s.s. Kut-sang and he had been in command of her ever since, excepting for a period of seven months' leave in 1929. The Kutsang was on the Hong Kong-Calcutta run, on a figure eight route thus: Hong Kong, Amoy, Shanghai, Japan ports, and return to Hong Kong via Amoy. Then she left Hong Kong for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta, returning by the same route, so that on every round trip the ship would pass through Hong Kong twice. On the return to Hong Kong from Calcutta, the last port of call was Singapore which the ship usually left, as per schedule, at 4 p.m., during the N.E. monsoon weather from November to March. It took six days from Singapore to Hong Kong, usually arriving here at dusk. It was usual for the ship to proceed straight into harbour without waiting for daylight, except when it was foggy.

Trip From Singapore. Referring to the trip which resulted in the mishap, Capt. Liddell said that the Kutsang left Singapore on December 11 at 5.03 p.m. The draught was 23ft. 9ins. aft and 20 ft. forward, and speed varied between 11.4 and 8.8. Expected monsoon weather was met on the voyage, but everything was normal until in sight of Waglan, at 6.22 p.m. on December 17. The bearing was N-7-W true magnetic; the compass bearing was 345°.

At the time the Kutsang was in sight of Waglan, the sea was very rough, and the ship was pitching and rolling. The wind was from the N.E. and the visibility was poor. The ship was proceeding straight into harbour without waiting for daylight, except when it was foggy.

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COLDER.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The anti-cyclone central to the North of Korea has strengthened.

The typhoon in the S. China Sea has filled up. Strong monsoon prevails along the S.E. Coast of China and a freshening monsoon over the N. China Sea.

Forecast:—N.E. winds; moderate to fresh; overcast at first; finer later; colder.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 0.01 inch against an average of 0.16.

Temperature. The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	70
Macao	65
Pratas Island	74
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THE PROBLEMS OF
CHURCH UNITY.

Archbishop Foresees a
Common Council.

DR. LANG'S VISION.

Dealing with the subject of Church unity, addressing the Lower House of the Convocation of Canterbury, Dr. Lang said that an impression seemed to have got abroad that the Conference of 1930 in some way went back from the Conference of 1920. "There is no foundation for such an impression," he stated.

The door which was opened in 1920, Dr. Lang added, had not been closed in 1930, but it was now a door leading to a definite road that followed a definite ideal.

"What causes trouble and disappointment to many of us," Dr. Lang said, "is to realise that most of our Free Church friends have never really entered that door at all. It is not, however, true to say that of their leaders. I am thankful to say, and my experience of constant conversations with them still gives me hope that, if our minds were really set towards the same ideal, many of our difficulties and misunderstandings might be removed."

The Orthodox Churches.

Dr. Lang also referred to the prolonged intercourse with representatives of the Eastern Orthodox Churches in the endeavour to prepare the way towards some visible communion. It was impossible, he said, to foretell what ultimate success might be the outcome of those conversations, but there could be no doubt about the desires and hopes of the Orthodox congregations.

"The prospect is opening up before our eyes," he added, "of groups of churches in all parts of the world, Anglican, Orthodox, Old Catholic, national churches like Sweden, and new churches, it may be, like South India, which will be self-governing and able to develop their own character and mission in their own lands, but which will be visible communion by their acceptance of a common bond of faith and order."

In no distant time the Bishops of these Churches might come together in a common council, such a council taking the place that the Lambeth Conference had hitherto occupied. "There is only one cloud," Dr. Lang added. "There is no place at present for the largest and greatest Christian communion, the Church of Rome."

Dr. Temple's Plan.

The subject of Church unity was also dealt with by Dr. Temple, Archbishop of York, addressing the full Synod of the Convocation of York.

Those chiefly interested in reunion between the Church of England and the Free Churches had, he said, drifted into a misunderstanding because each was assuming the other to intend what was not in fact intended.

The Lambeth Conference, Dr. Temple said, was concerned with advances towards union both with the Orthodox and the Old Catholic Churches on the one hand, and with

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the non-episcopal Churches on the other.

"In both directions," he added, "the task was no longer one of issuing a general call for unity, but had reached the stage of definite negotiation. This accounts for the comparative absence of glow and warmth in the deliberances of the Conference of 1930 as contrasted with that of 1920."

"There has been an acute feeling of disappointment in many Free Church circles in this country. As far as I can estimate the grounds for that disappointment, they are mainly these:

"(1) The report of the Committee on Unity lays upon the historic Episcopate a degree of emphasis which seems to our critics disproportionate, and disturbing; (2) Both the report of the Committee and the resolutions of the Conference are thought to register a retrogression from the position taken up in 1920;

"(3) No reference is made to the so-called Declaration of the Anglican Bishops who represented the Church of England in the Joint Conference on July 6, 1923."

Two Points.

"Two things have, I think, become plain as a result of comments made upon the Lambeth resolutions. One is that those chiefly interested in reunion between ourselves and the Free Churches must recover full mutual understanding, even at the cost of emphasising differences, before we can fruitfully discuss further the way to reunion."

"The other is that the point at issue is not the claim of this, that, or another principle of Church order, but the bearing of the whole question of Order upon the life of the Church as a spiritual society."

"The comments made show that our fellow-Christians in the Free Churches find it both painful and shocking that any of us should at once believe that God bestows grace upon them through their sacraments, and yet maintain that it would not be right for us to participate with them in those sacraments."

"This seems to point to a divergence of view so deeply ingrained as to be quite spontaneous between our respective conceptions of the place of sacraments in the life of the Church, and therefore also of individual members of the Church."

Referring to the Lambeth Quadrilateral put forward by the Bishops of the Anglican Communion as a basis for negotiation with a view to union, Dr. Temple said that on three points—Scripture, Creed, and Sacraments—there was agreement sufficient for negotiation. The fourth point—the Historic Episcopate—remained.

"This is the element," declared Dr. Temple, "for which we are in a special sense trustees for the Church of the future: as we enter into negotiation with non-episcopal Churches with a view to union, But the Report emphatically recognises that those with whom we seek to be in fuller unity must equally safeguard the special treasures of their own traditions."

"We are not offering an ultimatum, but a contribution to the general good, and the commendation of the South India Scheme is evidence that our ideal is not merely one of absorption."

Over 18,000 gasoline boats, valued at more than \$7,800,000, were employed in the fisheries of Canada in 1929, according to the Fisheries News Bulletin. The number of gas boats has doubled since the war.

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NO CLASSICAL SCHOLARS.

Imperial Airways, faced with the problem of an expanding service, are meeting it by giving special training to keen boys straight from public schools.

Although this new scheme was only recently set going, the company has already been so overwhelmed with applicants that it has turned scores away and its quota for the year is entirely full, writes an Evening News correspondent.

An official of the company said that the keenness of the boys is wonderful. "They are almost all public schoolboys," he said, "They must all be physically sound, though the standard is not quite so high as for admission to the Royal Air Force. They must all have passed the matriculation examination or its equivalent, and we prefer those who have been on the modern side or who have specialised in science; a classical scholar is not what we want."

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BRITISH EXPEDITION.

Details of the new British expedition to the Himalayan Mountains were explained in London recently by Mr. Frank S. Smythe, the explorer who has organised an expedition to climb the hitherto unconquered Mount Kamet, which is 25,431 feet high.

Mr. Smythe will be accompanied by Mr. R. L. Holdsworth, a master at Harrow, Squadron-Leader E. B. Beauman, of Camberley Staff College, and Dr. Raymond Greene, of Oxford, formerly president of the Oxford University Alpine Club.

Outlining some of the difficulties the expedition will encounter, Mr. Smythe said: "We shall start from Almora at the east base of the mountain. Some weeks will be spent in a survey of part of the unexplored country north and west of Kamet, and the ascent will be tried early in May before the monsoon season begins."

Lightness and Speed.

"The success of the expedition will largely rest on its lightness and speed, and with that view it is being kept as small as possible. I expect that we shall be joined by other mountaineers in India, and porters will be brought from Darjeeling. Given decent weather I am confident that we shall succeed. "We shall have to encounter the opposition of superstition. Buddhists believe that the mountain tops are the homes of the gods, and that a strange race of extraordinary ape-like men—the snowmen—inhabit the mountains. I hope to be able to break down these beliefs."

"If we accomplish the ascent, we shall have ascended the first peak of 25,000 feet, of which there are 30 or 40 alone in the Himalayas."

The highest peak reached yet is Jomang (24,344-ft.), which an expedition, of which I was a member, scaled last year. "We shall have to climb through 10,000 feet of snow, but that, to a great extent, depends on the weather. We expect to reach the snow at a height of 15,000 feet, but it is probable that it may be at 10,000 feet."

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TOTTORI MARU	Tuesday,	27th January.
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.	La Plata Maru	Fri.,	6th Feb.
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.	Borneo Maru	Mon.,	10th Jan.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA via Singapore & Colombo.	Chicago Maru	Thurs.,	5th Feb.
MELBOURNE via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Melbourne Maru	Wed.,	4th Feb.
CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.	Himalaya Maru	Sun.,	18th Jan.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Japan Ports.	African Maru (From Shanghai)	Sat.,	24th Jan.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Kwantu Maru	Wed.,	14th Jan.
JAPAN PORTS (Freight Service).	Celebes Maru	Sun.,	11th Jan.
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Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pearson, travelling on a business trip to Manila. Mr. Pearson is the Manager of the Swedish-Chinese Export Co.
Dr. R. G. Cochrane, connected with the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association and is proceeding to Manila to attend the Leprosy Congress there.
Mr. A. C. le Roy des Barres, Inspector General of Medical Establishments of Indo-China, who will represent the French Government at the Leprosy Congress.
Dr. B. Joyeux, prominent French Indo-China Government Physician, accompanying Mr. le Roy des Barres to the Leprosy Congress.
Dr. and Mrs. P. H. J. Lerrigo, touring the Far East. Dr. Lerrigo is connected with the Association Missions.
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CREW DESERT SHIP.

CAPTAIN BRINGS HER BACK SINGLE-HANDED.

WOUNDED BY KNIFE.
Constantinople, Yesterday. The United States Shipping Board's 6,000-ton vessel Hopatcong has arrived from Odessa manned only by the captain and officers, not a single lower-deck rating being aboard. The crew mutinied at Odessa and then deserted following a melee in which the captain was wounded by a knife thrust. He navigated the vessel with the aid of the officers to Constantinople, where he is recruiting a fresh crew.—Reuter.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Monday, Jan. 5.
Altai Maru, Japanese str., 4,846 tons, Capt. K. Ishibashi, from Dairen, buoy No. A9.—O.S.K.
Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. R. H. Fairley, from Swatow, buoy No. C2.—B. & S.
Klungchow, British str., 1,545 tons, Capt. W. J. Larter, from Hoihow, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.
Ryusei Maru, Japanese str., 1,509 tons, Capt. T. Tanaka, from Moji and Ainoura, buoy No. B23.—Y.K.K.
Tuesday, Jan. 6.
Andre Lebon, French str., 7,375 tons, Capt. G. Sabiani, from Marseilles, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M.
Canton, French str., 976 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Hoihow, buoy No. C1.—M. M.
Chak Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. J. McAnish, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co.
Chung Kong, Chinese str., 447 tons, Capt. Kwok Shau, from Canton, buoy No. B16.—Yau Lee.
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Menelaus, British str., 6,324 tons, Capt. W. H. Probert, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
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London, Yesterday. According to the Daily Telegraph, the Norwegian steamer Tricolor, which was yesterday reported in a message from Colombo to have sunk as the result of an explosion, was carrying arms and ammunition to China. She was a 6,000-ton vessel registered at Tonsberg. It is understood that the London marine insurance market will lose at least £300,000 including £110,000 on the hull as a result of the sinking of the ship.

Details of the sinking are scanty. Colombo reports state that the origin of the explosion, which occurred a few hours after the ship left Colombo, is unknown, but it is believed that the vessel sank a few minutes after the explosion. Of the twelve people on board, one is missing, the survivors being taken off by the Messageries Maritimes s.s. Porthos.

Forty-two Survivors. Shanghai, Later. The Shanghai agents of the Tricolor have received a telegram from Colombo stating that the s.s. Porthos picked up 42 survivors from the doomed ship.

The missing are Captain Wold, the third officer, Mr. Holst, one motorman, one sailor and a passenger named Dorrud. Dramatic Spectacle. Colombo, Yesterday. Crowds of people ashore saw the dramatic spectacle of the Tricolor, when four miles out, suddenly emit a sheet of flame, after which the vessel was enveloped in dense smoke, finally dissipated by a terrific explosion, the suddenness of which did not give the crew time to take to the boats.

The Porthos was nearby, and picked up the survivors from the water. The P. and O. s.s. Naldara, arriving later, unsuccessfully searched for more survivors.—Reuter.

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Empress of Russia	Mar. 15	Mar. 20	Empress of Russia	Mar. 20	Mar. 25
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Empress of Canada	Apr. 21	Apr. 26	Empress of Canada	Apr. 26	Apr. 31
Empress of Russia	May 1	May 6	Empress of Russia	May 6	May 11
Empress of Japan	May 11	May 16	Empress of Japan	May 16	May 21
Empress of Asia	May 21	May 26	Empress of Asia	May 26	May 31
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Empress of Asia	Jul. 1	Jul. 6	Empress of Asia	Jul. 6	Jul. 11
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Empress of Russia	Jul. 21	Jul. 26	Empress of Russia	Jul. 26	Aug. 1
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Cornflower—In dock.
Herald—No. 4 buoy.
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Iroquois—North wall.
Marazion—East wall.
Medway—North arm.
Moorhen—In dock.
Odin—North arm.
Osiris—East wall.
Oswald—East wall.
Sandwich—No. 8 buoy.
Seymour—No. 12 buoy.
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Tamar—Basin.
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*PERIM	7,648	7th Feb.	Marselles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

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KASHGAR	9,005	17th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	9,185	25th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MAIWA	10,980	31st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,953	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KHIVER	9,114	14th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*GOMALI	18,619	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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COLLAPSE AT BALL.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Roys, K.B.E., the Deputy Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, had a sudden heart attack last night, while attending a rehearsal of the Charity Ball. He was removed to hospital, but death occurred before his arrival.

Sir Charles Roys had a successful career extending over thirty-five years in the Royal Navy, before being appointed five years ago as Assistant Commissioner of Metropolitan Police.

Before the war he accompanied Captain Scott to the Antarctic, and in 1914 was promoted to Captain's rank while Commander of Admiral Jellicoe's Flagship the Iron Duke. He continued to be associated with the Grand Fleet throughout the war, and afterwards was Commander of the Naval Depot at Devonport.—British Wireless Service. (Sir Charles Roys was born in 1876.)

BANK SHARES.

LLOYD'S ANNOUNCE NEW 1930
DIVIDEND.

REDUCTION MADE.

London, Yesterday.
Lloyd's Bank announce a dividend on the "A" shares (which form the principal part of the bank's shares) for the second half of 1930 at the rate of 13-1/3 per cent. per annum, making a distribution for the year of 15 per cent., compared with 16-2/3 for the ten preceding years.

This is the first occasion since the early period of the war that any big London banks have reduced their dividend.

The bank's profits, although reduced, were sufficient to maintain the dividend, but the directors decided, in view of the trade depression and uncertain future outlook, to be wiser and make a substantial increase of the internal reserves.—Reuter.

BANK FAILURES.

VIOLATION OF LAW TO BE
PUNISHED.

New York, Yesterday.
The Governor, Mr. Roosevelt, has urged the District Attorney to prosecute anybody suspected of violation of the law in connection with the failure of the Bank of the United States.—Reuter's American Service.

UNDESIRABLES.

CRIMINAL ALIENS NOT WANTED
IN U.S.

Washington, Yesterday.
In the Senate the Labour Secretary, Mr. Donk, recommended the deportation of aliens convicted of any crime, and a general tightening of the alien deportation laws. He estimated that there are 400,000 aliens in the United States, of whom 100,000 are liable to deportation.—Reuter's American Service.

LIBERTY BOND LAW.

TO FINANCE OPERATIONS IN
THE STATES.

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. Mellon has asked Congress to pass an amendment to the second Liberty Bond law, authorizing the issue of \$38,000,000 of bonds for refinancing operations in the next three years.—Reuter's American Service.

MARSHAL JOFFRE.

LORD MAYOR TO ATTEND
FUNERAL IN STATE.

London, Yesterday.
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriff, sword bearer, mace bearer and City Marshal, has left for Paris to attend Marshal Joffre's funeral in state.—Reuter.

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S'ow, Penang & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Wed., 28th Jan. at 3 p.m.
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Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	NAMSANG	Tues., 3rd Feb. at 7 a.m.
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Sandakan	MAUSANG	Sat., 17th Jan. at Noon
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ROSY PROSPECTS OF ECONOMIC
RECOVERY.

BRISKER MARKETS.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
At this morning's Cabinet meeting, which was the first held in the New Year, the Finance Minister is understood to have expressed an optimistic view regarding the prospects of economic recovery in the distant future.

Market conditions all over the country are stated to be markedly brisker over the year-end. Various textile centres have increased their output about twenty per cent.

The Finance Minister is quoted as intimating that little concern was felt regarding the outflow of gold specie, giving an assurance that the present depression would not cause the Government to defect from its course.—Reuter.

TELL-TALE FIGURES.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
The depression which is hitting Japan the same as other countries, is clearly reflected in official returns of foreign trade for the past

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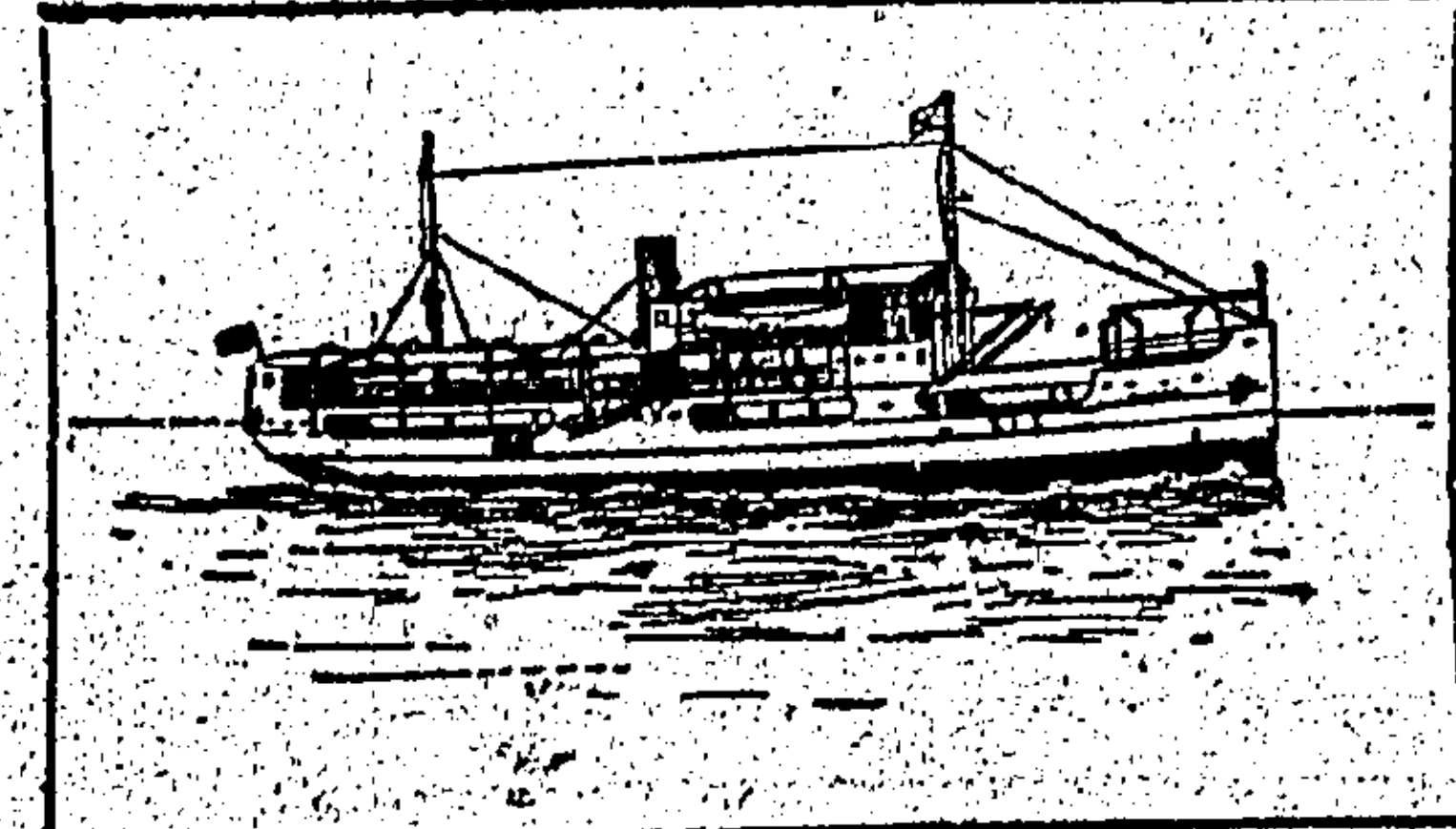
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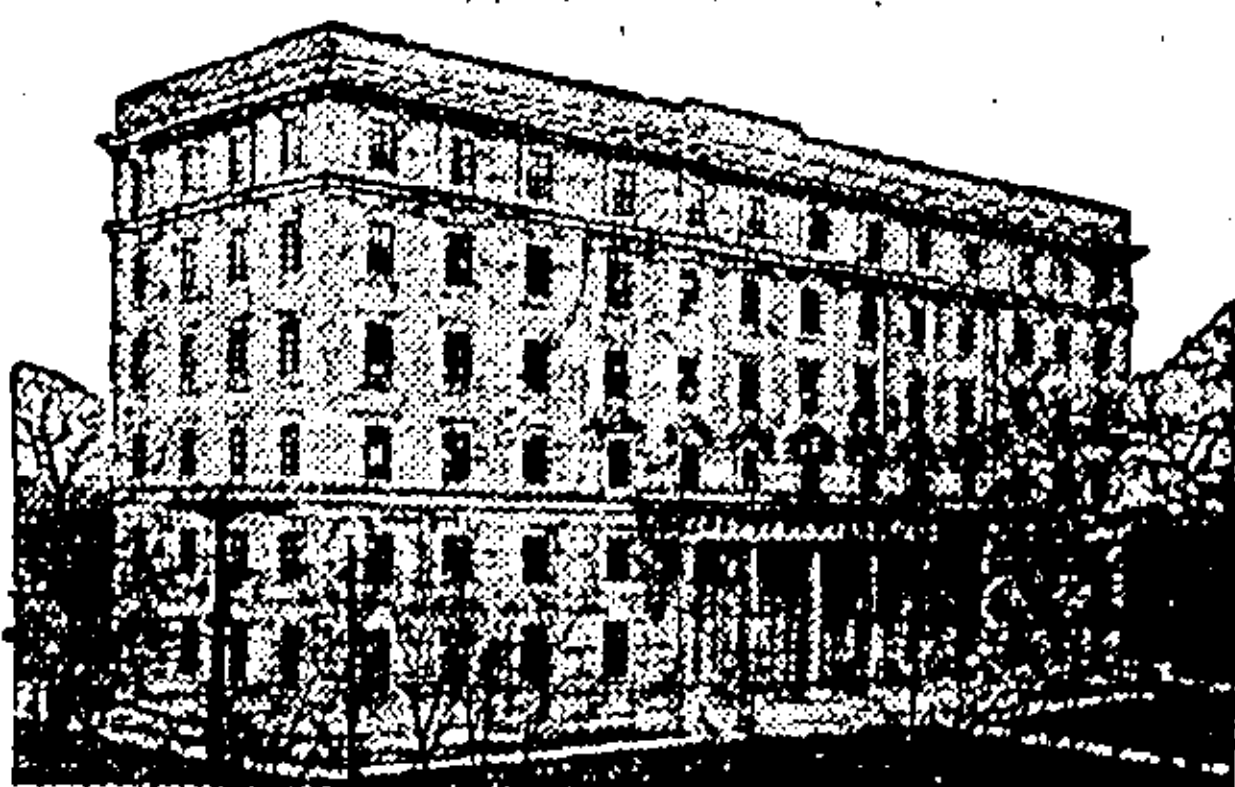
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Hong Kong, Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1931.

Undesirable Traffic.

Bared of its rhetorical thrills
which take one nowhere, there is
much in the address given to the
Rotary Club yesterday by Mr.
Bascom Johnson to appeal to local
interest. As Chairman of the
League of Nations Commission
of enquiry into the traffic in
women and children, he is in a
position to provide first hand in-
formation of the League's activi-
ties in regard to this vital prob-
lem. His historical account of
the origin and growth of the
movement to combat such traffic
may fall rather flat on
some ears. What happened
thirty-five years ago
in Britain cannot be of tremen-
dous interest to us in Hong Kong
today, excepting to provide the
cheering thought that in this, as
in so many other social questions,
Britain led the way in the com-
bat against the traffic in women
and girls.

Mr. Bascom Johnson got down
to the root of the matter to-day
when he set forth three questions
for the Commission to answer
after its tour of various countries:

1. If there was a traffic, what
was its extent?
2. Where did it come from?
3. What were the methods em-
ployed by traffickers?

That there is a traffic in
women and children needs no elab-
oration—it has long been known
to exist. Women and girls have
been lured from their homes,
others have been debased, and
still others have fallen to the
temptation of responding to glow-
ing advertisements offering com-
fortable positions overseas.

only to find, too late, that these
positions were non-existent and
that, if they would not starve on a
foreign shore, they had to submit
to indignity, humiliation, and dis-
honour. Of tremendously greater
importance than the international
traffic in drugs and arms is this
traffic in women and girls. It is
a traffic not confined to Western
or American countries. It is
rampant in the Orient, from Port
Said to Dairen. It is flourishing
to a certain extent in Hong Kong
and South China, as witness the
frequent prosecutions here for
offences against women and girls.

The Chairman of the Commis-
sion made the candid admission
yesterday that, following the
formation of the social section of
the League of Nations, "the first
thing that the Commission and
Secretariat of the League found
out was that they knew very little
about it. Nobody had studied the
question on the spot. Certain
theories were believed to be cor-
rect. The extent of the traffic
was said to be rather large, the
current was supposed to be in cer-
tain directions and the methods
were guessed at. So the first step
that was suggested was that a
Commission of Enquiry should
set forth and visit the various
countries and learn just what the
conditions were."

It may be that, beyond the
theoretical co-operation of the
various countries visited, the
Commission will return to Geneva
knowing as little as they did be-
fore of the extent of the traffic
and unable to suggest practical
ways of reducing it. The only
manner in which they could be
helped would be by the establish-
ment in each centre of special de-
tective bureaux entrusted with
no other work but that relating to
the traffic in women and girls.

The staffs of such bureaux would
have to be experts in social work
no less than those on the Advisory
Committee of the social section
of the League in far away Geneva.
Substantial grants from the
League itself and from the vari-
ous co-operating Governments
would be essential. And, almost
needless to say, in the case of
Hong Kong, the war against the
traffic could be greatly furthered
by the Anti-Mul-Tal Society and
the Society for the Protection of
Children. Only by such methods
as those suggested can the cru-
sade make any headway. It is not
enough to express pious hopes
for the success of the League's
Commission now in this Colony.
Action is imperative if the traf-
fic is to be laid by the heels
and their nefarious and hu-
mane practices stopped for all
time.

News in Brief.

H.M.S. Cumberland is expected to
arrive here from the North to-
morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Baldwin and son
returned to-day from Home by the
a.s. Yaskuni Maru.

The Society of Yorkshiresmen is
to hold a cabaret-dinner dance in
the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong
Hotel, on Friday, January 23, at
8 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage is an-
nounced of Manuel Sequeira, of
455, Rue Lafayette, Shanghai, to
Cecilia Maria Xavier, of 2, Hum-
phreys Buildings, Kowloon.

An attractive calendar portray-
ing a scene in the Mohawk Valley
of the Appalachian mountain chain,
has been forwarded to us by the
New York Central Railway Com-
pany.

At a meeting of the Football
Association Council a donation of
\$50 from the Sunday Herald
Charity Cup competition was voted
to the Christmas comforts fund of
the Government Civil Hospital.

The annual general meeting of
the Boy Scouts Association will be
held at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Janu-
ary 14, in St. John's Cathedral
Hall. His Excellency the Governor
has kindly consented to take the
Chair.

For having possession of 10
catties of tree branches suspected
to be stolen, a Chinese received 10
strokes at the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning. Defendant was ar-
rested on the hill-side in Tai-po
Road.

Admitting three previous con-
victions, a Chinese hawker was
this morning fined \$3 by Mr. Wil-
liams, for having shouted his wares
in Arbutnot Road close to the
by a Chinese constable, during the
Courts. Defendant was arrested
Courts' sittings.

Asked for an excuse as to why
she hawked without a licence, a
Chinese woman, charged before Mr.
Williams this morning, replied that
she had no husband. The Magis-
trate said "You are not charged
with not having a husband, you are
charged with hawking without a
licence." Defendant was fined \$4.

The Chinese Maritime Customs
having effected payment on the
Boxer Indemnity, the coupon No.
12 of the 5 per cent. Gold Loan
1925, as well as the bonds drawn
at the drawing of December 1 last,
will be redeemable at any of the
Agencies of the Banque Franco
Chinoise Pour le Commerce et
l'Industrie from January 15.

A highly interesting lecture on
"Judicial English" was delivered
by Mr. H. C. Macnamara in the
Cathedral Hall yesterday, before
members of the Hong Kong branch
of the English Association. The
lecturer gave several entertaining
examples of English as used in the
Courts of Justice, quoting judg-
ments given by Lord Macnaghten,
Chief Justice Mansfield, and Judge
Jeffreys.

There was no business of public
interest at the fortnightly meet-
ing of the Sanitary Board which
was held yesterday afternoon. Those
present were Mr. G. R. Sayer
(Chairman), the Hon. Mr. H. T.
Greasy (Director of Public Works),
Dr. C. W. Pope (Medical Officer of
Health), Dr. W. V. M. Koeh, Mr.
Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. M. K. Lo,
Mr. T. N. Chau, Dr. R. A. Castro
Basto, and Mr. J. H. Gelling
(Secretary).

Li Kwai was again charged at the
Kowloon Magistracy this morning
with the larceny of two keys and
\$5.50, from Ng Kam-shui, a public
car driver, at Tai-po Road on
December 11. He was also charged
with assault, it being alleged that
he, together with two others, seized
the complainant and rolled him
down a bank. The hearing was
adjourned until to-morrow. The
second defendant, Tsang Fuk, was
discharged, whilst the third did not
appear.

The friends of Dr. K. C. Yeo will
be interested to learn of his recent
success in the M.D. examination in
State medicine held in the Univer-
sity. Dr. Yeo, after a brilliant
career as an undergraduate in the
University, graduated M.B., B.S. in
1925. After graduation, he held
the posts of House Surgeon, House
Physician and House Obstetrician
in the Government Civil Hospital
for a year and a half. He then
proceeded to Britain to specialise
in public health and tropical
medicine. In London he obtained
the D. T. M. & H. and the certificate
of the London School of Tropical
Medicine with honours. In Cam-
bridge he got his D.P.H. with dis-
tinction in both parts of the
examination. After joining fur-
ther post-graduate work in Dublin
and Edinburgh he was appointed an
Assistant Medical Officer of Health,
Hong Kong, by the Colonial Office.

At the Kowloon Magistracy to-
day a Chinese woman named Leung
Tze was fined \$27 for being found
in possession of nine maces of raw
opium.

As local agents of the Lloyd
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calendar for 1931.

Silk forwarded from here by the
Empress of Asia on December 10
arrived in New York (St. John's
Park) and Hoboken on December
31, having been 21 days in transit.

LOCAL EXAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

King's College.
55 candidates entered: 23 Passed,
29 Failed, 4 Absent.

No. 700, Chan Hon-yeo; 703,
Chan Sau-kan (Dist. Mathema-
tics); 709, Cheung King-shing
(Dist. Mathematics); 710, Cheung
Wai-yu; 713, Fung Fa-lun (Dist.
Mathematics and Mechanics); 714,
Fung Hon-chu; 715, Ha Chun-hing
(Dist. Mathematics); 719, Ho
Wing-shing; 720, Ip Chai-ting;
723, Lau King-ming; 724, Li Chi-
tim; 726, Li Yuk-wing; 728, Lo
Hung-sui (Dist. Mathematics); 732,
Clement Long; 733, Loo Tsun-tai
(Dist. Mathematics); 737, Pang
Shui-kwong (Dist. Arithmetic);
739, Pun Ju-fai; 740, Pun Kam-tim
(Dist. Mathematics); 741, Pun
Pik-hin (Dist. Mathematics and
Mechanics); 745, Tso Shau-ping
(Dist. Mathematics); 748, U Bing-
yung (Dist. Mathematics and
Mechanics); 754, Yu Ping-chau
(Dist. Arithmetic, Chemistry,
Mathematics and Mechanics); 755,
Yu Shiu-woon.

Diocesan Boys' School.
28 candidates entered: 10 Passed,
16 Failed, 2 Absent.

No. 759, Chui Yau-luk (Dist.
Mechanics); 760, A. Crawford;
762, Ha Kit-hoo (Dist. Mathema-
tics); 763, Ho Yiu-lam (Dist.
Arithmetic); 766, Lee Kit-chuen;
771, A. M. Prata; 773, R. J. Reed;
774, I. Singh; 778, G. A. Waller;
780, V. H. White.

St. Paul's College.
28 candidates entered: 12 Passed,
16 Failed.

No. 789, Cheung Hing-on; 790,
Chin Kim-yung (Dist. Mathema-
tics); 793, Ko Cho-chok; 796,
Kwong Sun-ming; 797, Lam Chi-
kan; 798, Liu Hau-shui (Dist.
Arithmetic and Mathematics);
800, Mok Fuk-in; 801, Ng Shiu-
hon (Dist. Mathematics); 802,
Pang Pui-kwong (Dist. Mathema-
tics); 803, Siem Pak-ting; 804,
Siem Sik-ting (Dist. Mathematics);
810, Wong Chung-suen.

St. Stephen's College.
30 candidates entered: 7 Passed,
22 Failed, 1 Absent.

No. 812, Cheng Yuen-yue; 816,
Ho Yuen-kwing; 818, Ip Kung-
chiu (Dist. Arithmetic, Physics,
Mathematics and Mechanics);
829, Ly Lok (Dist. Physics); 830,
Tan Kia-sui (Dist. Mathematics);
833, Tso Kiat-sik; 1811, Chang
Chai-ming.

Ying Wah College.
20 candidates entered: 7 Passed,
13 Failed.

No. 847, Li Chung-lap; 850, So
Wai-keung; 851, Tsang Kwong-
kau; 852, Tso Foong-kong; 854,
Wong Kai-man; 857, Yeung Yuk-
kuen; 858, Yick Fo-kwal.

Wah Yan College (Branch).
19 candidates entered: 4 Passed,
14 Failed, 1 Absent.

No. 861, Cheung Kwong-hon;
864, Lee Suey-wing; 866, Liu Ki-
hong; 876, Yuen Hon-ching.

Tai Tung College.
16 candidates entered: 4 Passed,
8 Failed, 4 Absent.

No. 880, Chau Kin; 885, Lo Yuk-
shu; 888, Tong On-lan; 892, Wu
Cheung-wing.

Tutorial Institute.
12 candidates entered: 0 Passed,
12 Failed.

Central British School.
11 candidates entered: 7 Passed,
3 Failed, 1 Absent.

No. 907, A. T. Chester; 908, A.
Dobry; 909, J. B. Gardiner; 910,
K. H. W. Sayer; 911, J. R. M.
Sutter; 1175, R. F. Ingram; 1176,
G. A. McNeillie.

St. George's School.
9 candidates entered: 0 Passed,
9 Failed.

Kowloon College.
7 candidates entered: 1 Passed,
6 Failed.

No. 927, Li Sheng-chun.
To Man Wah School.
6 candidates entered: 1 Passed,
5 Failed.

No. 934, Ho Yim-bun.
Wah Yan Middle School (Macao).
6 candidates entered: 1 Passed,
5 Failed.

No. 941, Lee Yat-nit.
Sacred Heart College.
5 candidates entered: 1 Passed,
4 Failed.

No. 945, Tang Yuk-fan.
Docks School.
14 candidates entered: 0 Passed,
14 Failed.

No. 965, Cheng King-tat; 969,
Cheung Shiu-kwal; 978, Chu
Kwok-king; 993, Kung Koi-cheung;
1006, Lau Tak-yue; 1024, Liu Kin-
lan; 1033, Wong Wai-mah; 1052,
Yeung Yu-fong; 1314, Kwik Han-
khok.

Balliol Public School.
18 candidates entered: 12 Passed,
5 Failed, 1 Absent.

No. 1007, Chan Kui-ling; 1068,
Chan Shuk-ching; 1071, Fung Sau-
wah; 1072, Ho Yan-yeo; 1076,
Kwok Tsun-ming (Dist. Arith-
metic); 1077, Pang Yuk-lin; 1082,
Wong Yiu-heang; 1084, Yu
Sheung-woon.

St. Stephen's Girls' College.
18 candidates entered: 12 Passed,
5 Failed, 1 Absent.

No. 1085, Chan Luan-ying; 1086,
Chan Shuk-kwan; 1087, Chan
Ying-to; 1090, Law Kum-man;
1093, Lee Yuen-wa; 1094, Li
Shun-kwan; 1095, H. Lin; 1098,
A. Thomas; 1099, E. Thomas; 1100,
Tsang Wai-ngan; 1101, M. Ung;
1102, R. Wong.

Italian Convent.
18 candidates entered: 13 Passed,
4 Failed.

No. 1103, M. Botelho (Dist.
English); 1104, O. Botelho; 1105,
A. Brown; 1106, M. Chaillet (Dist.
English and French); 1107, D.
Chen (Dist. English and French);
1108, A. Chu; 1109, M. A. D.
Dandu; 1110, Law Lily Pui-yu;
1111, Li Lai-ying; 1112, R. Moy;
1113, M. Pank Wun-ching; 1114,
J. Rodrigues (Dist. English,
Biblical Knowledge and Needle-
work); 1115, M. Smith (Dist. Eng-
lish and Biblical Knowledge);
1116, V. D. Tom; 1117, A. Tong;
1118, A. Wong (Dist. Biblical
Knowledge); 1119, J. P. Wong
(Dist. English, Dutch and Bibl-
ical Knowledge); 1120, E. Xavier.

Diocesan Girls' School.
17 candidates entered: 13 Passed,
4 Failed.

No. 1121, E. Banker (Dist. Eng-
lish); 1122, A. Chan; 1124, I.
Frith; 1125, H. Ho (Dist. English
and Biblical Knowledge); 1126, S.
Ho; 1127, A. Hsu; 1128, I. Kan;
1129, H. Kotewall; 1130, A. Lee;
1133, P. Rathnam; 1134, S.
Remedios; 1135, S. Tsang; 1137, I.
Williams.

French Convent.
14 candidates entered: 5 Passed,
9 Failed.

No. 1138, H. Abbas; 1140, E.
Carroll (Dist. English); 1142, M.
Ching (Dist. Arithmetic); 1143,
L. Chan; 1150, S. Xavier.

St. Mary's School.
10 candidates entered: 10 Passed.

No. 1152, S. Abdullah (Dist.
History and Biblical Knowledge);
1153, G. D'Almada (Dist. English,
History and Biblical Knowledge);
1154, G. D'Almada; 1155, E. Brito
(Dist. Biblical Knowledge); 1156,
Lau To-ming; 1157, L. Pereira
(Dist. Biblical Knowledge); 1158,
A. dos Remedios (Dist. Biblical
Knowledge); 1159, O. Ribeiro
(Dist. Biblical Knowledge); 1160,
E. da Silva; 1161, R. Xavier (Dist.
Biblical Knowledge).

Holy Spirit School.
8 candidates entered: 2 Passed,
6 Failed.

No. 1164, I. Cheung Wai-chu;
1165, Chow Shuk-chan.

Ying Wa Girls' School.
5 candidates entered: 4 Passed,
1 Failed.

No. 1170, Chung Kam-sun (Dist.
Arithmetic); 1171, Lam Wing-
lung; 1173, Suen Yau-to; 1174,
Woo Lai-wah.

ILLEGAL TAXES.

ALL TO BE ABOLISHED IN NORTH
CHINA.

NOT TO BE DELAYED.

Nanking, Yesterday.
The National Government has re-
ceived a telegram from Chang
Hsueh-liang stating that all illegal
taxes in North China similar to
likin would be abolished, thus de-
finitely ending the rumour that the
abolition in North China would be
delayed.

The Government has hitherto
received telegrams promising aboli-
tion of likin this year from the
provinces of Anhwei, Chekiang, Hon-
an, Hunan, Hupoh, Kansu, Kiang-
si, Shantung and Shensi.

Levied in Tientsin.
Peking, Yesterday.

The Tientsin vernacular paper
Ta Kung Pao state that, with the
exception of the parcel post, all
local taxes of the nature of likin in
and around Tientsin are still
being levied.

Many merchants' goods are being
held owing to their not having paid
such taxes. A number of business
men went to the Chamber of Com-
merce and complained about this,
and the matter is under investiga-
tion.—Reuter.

Ten Years Ago.

From the "China Mail" of
January 7, 1921.

Today's dollar is worth 3/1
11/18.

ROTARY AND LEAGUE'S WORK

INSPIRING ADDRESS BY MR. JOHNSON.

Protection For Women And Children.

There was a very full attendance at the second weekly tiffin of Hong Kong Rotary Club, held at Lane, Crawford's, yesterday. The principal speaker was Mr. Bascom Johnson, Chairman of the League of Nations Commission of Enquiry into the Traffic in Women and Children in the East. Other members of the Commission present were Dr. Alma Sundquist, (Sweden), Mr. and Mrs. Pindor, (Poland), and Mr. von Schmieden (Germany).

Sir W. Hornell's Honour.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, in welcoming members and visitors, said it gave him particular pleasure to express the very great appreciation of himself and fellow Rotarians on the very high honour recently conferred upon the President (Sir W. W. Hornell) by His Majesty the King. (Applause). He then proceeded to give a brief sketch of Sir W. W. Hornell's career, referring in passing to his splendid work for education both in India and as a member of the Board of Education in Britain.

WORK FOR UNIVERSITY.

Since 1924, when he left India after his second period of service there, the President had been Vice-Chancellor of the local University, and had been a great driving force there, completely re-organising the methods, and bringing the institution to the high standard it had attained to-day. (Applause).

Sir William Hornell had identified himself with every phase of life in Hong Kong, and might well be thought of as the spirit of Rotarianism personified. "I may say that if Sir William Hornell were to describe himself," Mr. Shenton concluded, "he would be quite in order in using those three Latin words, Veni, Vidi, Vici." (Applause).

Visitors Introduced. Sir William Hornell, after returning brief thanks for the good wishes accorded him, said that after all the kind things said to him in the course of the last few days he had been filled with a greater resolve than ever to combine with his



"Can you give a poor blind man a shilling?"
"But you are only blind in one eye."
Then give me sixpence."
Everybody's Weekly, London.

fellow members and make the Rotary Club of Hong Kong a success. (Applause).

Sir William then introduced two visiting Rotarians, Mr. Ross Wilson, of Scarsdale, New York, and Mr. A. H. Gordon, of Shanghai. He trusted they would convey greetings from their younger brother Club in Hong Kong upon their return.

Principal Speaker.

Introducing the speaker and his fellow members upon the League Commission, the President said they were dealing with a matter which was vital, not merely to civilisation, but to humanity. (Applause).

Mr. Bascom Johnson, addressing the gathering, after thanking them for the honour conferred upon him, said that it was especially pleasant hearing to hear of the honour conferred upon the President, which he had not known of before.

Referring to the work of the Commission here, Mr. Johnson said that he could not loyally discuss their findings in Hong Kong at the moment. He might, however, make some reference to the history of the present Commission, and explain how the League of Nations had become interested in this particular problem concerning women and girls.

It traced back to about 35 years ago, when a Briton named Cook became interested in the traffic in British women and girls. Accordingly, he travelled round the countries close to Britain and eventually a national association called the Vigilantes was set up. Later, the need of an international association of the kind became evident, and an International Convention was held in London in 1904. Some time later, Cook's friend, a man named Cook, set up a similar association in Hong Kong, and this was the beginning of the Hong Kong Rotary Club.

At the end of the evening, Mr. Johnson was warmly welcomed by the members of the Club.

ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

ENGLISHMEN CELEBRATE A GREAT OCCASION.

TWELFTH NIGHT.

Tired eyelids drooped wearily on tired eyes at three o'clock this morning, when stragglers from the St. George's Ball left the Peninsula Hotel for a last minute dash for the ferry. As we are told, the Ball is one of the Colony's outstanding social events. Without nauseating the reader with a description of the menu, or giving the Band programme in full, it may be said that the refreshments were as good as the company, and that the music was played in a manner which pleased even the best dancers in the Colony, prominent among whom, of course, it Miss Eileen Stubbings, who danced with H.R.H. the Prince of Wales during his visit here.

Vallant St. George.

The decorations, which, if they were not the same, resembled those of last year's Ball and of the year before, consisted principally of the coats of arms of the major counties of England, whilst a full-length portrait of St. George, a little pale but still vallant, appropriately looked down from the dais, protecting the company from indecorum. A number of the older people left the Ball soon after 11.30, possibly having been exhausted by the Lancers, which they would insist upon doing, and very gracefully too, in spite of the fact that many of them had not danced for 20 years. When the men were not dancing they were often to be found in "Ye Rose and Crown," which some wit had decorated with signs bearing such titles as "Illicit still," and a novelty of this Union Jack draped hostelry was a supply of cherry-hoody pipes and tobacco, in addition to the usual gratis cigarettes and cigars. The novelty caught on, and scores of men in scarlet mess jackets were to be seen blowing clouds of tobacco smoke with the zest of "natives." What they did with the pipes afterward, and whether their partners detected the odorous weed, are secrets better left to St. George. Following the procession of the official party into the supper room, escorted by beef-eaters and heralded by a fanfare from the trumpeters, Mr. A. Thornhill carried in the bear's head and was handed a tankard of beer for having delivered his charge in good order.

During supper the President, Mr. "Tam" Pearce, made the following eloquent speech:—

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

It is with considerable pride, as well as with the greatest pleasure that as President of the Society of St. George, on behalf of its members, I bid welcome to our guests here this evening.

I say with pride, because, as I understand it, the election to the Presidency of this Society is the greatest compliment one Englishman can pay another in this Colony. May I be allowed to say that I very highly appreciate the honour. As many of you are aware, both my wife's family and my own have been identified with the Colony for over 50 years. I feel the compliment paid me is in large measure due to this fact, and I only wish the heads of our respective families, now in retirement in the old country, were present this evening to share in our honour.

It was with deep regret that we learned of the bereavement suffered by His Majesty the King and I feel you will join me in expressing our loyal sympathy.

Reference to Governor.

We regret very much the unavoidable absence of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel. Shortly after his arrival His Excellency gladly became the first Patron of our Society. I know that I am voicing the feelings of every member of the Society when I say it is our fervent wish and hope, His Excellency will long continue as a Patron, and that we shall have the honour and privilege of having both His Excellency and Lady Peel with us on some future occasions such as these.

It seems to me most fitting that, at this gathering I should make reference to the further honour recently conferred on His Excellency by His Majesty the King. I feel sure members of the Society, as well as our guests will join me in conveying to His Excellency our humble congratulations on his promotion to a higher rank in the Order, with which the name of our Patron Saint is associated.

Sir W. Hornell.

I think this, too, is a most suitable occasion to convey the Society's warmest wishes to Sir W. Hornell on the social work of the League of Nations. He urged all present to attend. The President then announced that at the next time the speaker would be Mr. Pindor, who would speak on "The Civil Code in China."

city's congratulations to Sir William Hornell. Sir William is a keen and enthusiastic member of our committee, and I feel sure members of the Society were delighted to find his name amongst those, in the recent New Year's honour list.

You will appreciate an evening like this takes a great deal of arranging, and before proceeding further, I should like to thank the various Sub-committees for their hard work and loyal assistance. Headed by Messrs. Bellamy, Cornell, Dowbiggin, Dowley and our Honorary Secretary, Mr. Cassidy, these Committees have done yeoman service in making the arrangements for this delightful evening and we are most grateful to them for the success they have made of it.

Object of Society.

This Society exists principally for the purpose of keeping Englishmen banded together and to lend assistance in times of stress and trouble to those deserving and requiring such assistance. The Society made arrangements to suitably observe last St. George's Day, April 23. The functions included a very successful concert at which we had the pleasure of entertaining a large gathering of the services.

On that date there was also the usual interchange of cabled fraternal greetings with our fellow countrymen up and down the Coast, and in other more remote parts of the world.

I would take this opportunity to urge all Englishmen, who are not already members, to enrol and so enlarge the scope and influence of the Society.

"Place Under the Sun."

Charles Dickens in his Miscellaneous Papers, on the use of Fairy Tales, wrote as follows:—

"We may assume we are not singular in entertaining a very great tenderness for the fairy literature of our childhood. What enchanted us then and is captivating a million of young fancies now, has at the same blessed time of life enchanted vast hosts of men and women who have done their long days work and laid their gray heads down to rest. It would be hard to estimate the amount of gentleness and mercy that has made its way amongst us through these slight channels. It has greatly helped to keep us in some sense ever young. In an utilitarian age of all other times, it is a matter of grave importance that fairy tales should be respected. Everyone that has considered the subject knows full well that a nation without fancy, without some romance, never did, never can, never will hold a great place under the sun."

We shall all agree that in this the great Victorian humorist speaks with the authority of a prophet.

The national festival which we keep to-night, dates back to a Council at Oxford more than 700 years ago. It is more than 600 years since St. George was made patron of the Order of the Garter, King Edward III being on the throne of England at that time. These and the like historic facts have a place in your memories, and there are times when it is fitting to recall them for our aid in estimating the debt that we owe to the past.

That Dragon!

What I may call the Fairy Story, the legend of the Saint, holds in it a moral that cannot be too deeply impressed on the minds and hearts of all who meet in the name and under the banner of St. George. The Saint fought and overcame the dragon. This was the glory of St. George, and the inspiration of all who are pledged to carry on a moral warfare under his banner against the evils that vex, and so far as we can judge, tend to endanger the well being of human society to-day.

St. George stands for the deliverer from the ills wrought by the dragon, anarchy, disorder and confusion, and brings in an ordered world of goodwill and mutual understanding. These are the objects which the members of this Society have in view and they declare the fact with added emphasis for the reason that the followers of St. Andrew, St. David and St. Patrick stand shoulder to shoulder with them in seeking the like high aims. May this union of hearts long continue.

Progress of Colony.

Speaking as a commercial man of the section of community, the wherein my personal everyday experience lies, I would say there are few things more instructive and at the same time more heartening than the progress of this Colony. Let him who will ponder the story of Hong Kong: under the British flag during the first two decades of its existence as a Colony, contrast the conditions which then obtained with those under which we are living here to-day, and he will admit that influences of the kind associated with St. George have been potent, continuous and successful. Let us not, therefore, with gratitude to those who have been the first to give us the story of the progress of this Colony, let us not forget the story of the progress of this Colony, let us not forget the story of the progress of this Colony.

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Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.
To-day—Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels.
To-morrow—Third Annual Dance of Ladies' Hockey Club, Lane, Crawford's.

January 22—Society of York-shiremen Cabinet-Dinner Dance, Hong Kong Hotel, 8 p.m.

Entertainments.
To-day—Queen's Theatre.
"Follies of 1930."
To-day—Central Theatre.
"Sarah and Son."
To-day—World Theatre.
"Greyhound Ltd."
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"Casey at the Bat."
To-day—Majestic Theatre.
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Home Mails.
To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Victoria B.C. (Irix), 10.30 a.m.

Meetings.
January 14—Meeting of Graduates in the Great Hall of the University, 5.15 p.m.
January 14—Annual General Meeting of Boy Scouts Association, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5 p.m.

Sports.
See Diary on page 8.

"STAR" ARRESTED.

VIOLATION OF STATE POISONS ACT.

DRUGS IN CLOAK.

San Diego, Yesterday. The film star, Miss Alma Rubens, has been arrested on a charge of violating the State Poisons Act. The police allege that they discovered 6,000,000 of drugs in the lining of an evening cloak in her room.

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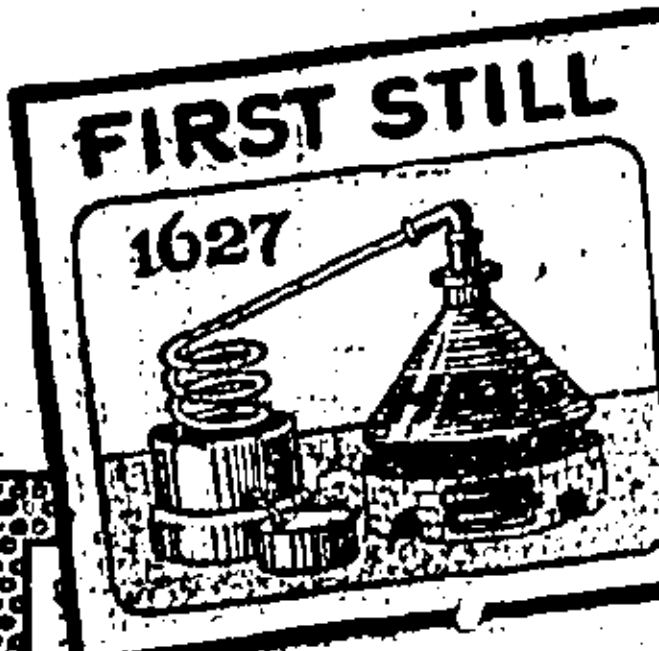
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THE SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

Contest to be Held
Next Year.

ENTRIES COMPROMISE.

A contest for the Schneider Trophy will be held next year, in British waters, almost certainly in the Solent.

This is made possible by an agreement which I understand has been reached between the British, French and Italian Aero Clubs, following the rejection by the Royal Aero Club, some months ago, of the French and Italian entries, writes a Daily Telegraph correspondent.

There is also reason to believe that the Air Ministry will modify their decision that R.A.F. pilots would not be allowed to take part. The Federation Aeronautique Internationale will shortly announce the decision reached in regard to the entries declined by the Royal Aero Club because they did not comply with new conditions passed by the F.A.I. earlier in the year.

Compromise.

The agreement now reached is a compromise which, however, safeguards the British club against expenditure on organisation for a fiasco.

The contest will be held on one instead of two days, as heretofore. The British machines will be selected from those of the two types built for high-speed research. One of these, the Supermarine S6 Rolls-Royce, was victorious last year, and afterwards established the present world record of 357.7 m.p.h. The other type is the Gloster G-Napier.

Detail improvements have increased the speeds of these machines.

They have been engaged at Felixstowe Marine Aircraft Experimental Establishment, and two of the three pilots engaged in this work—Flight Lts. J. N. Boothman and F. W. Long—may be in the next team.

No entry for the United States is now expected.

FOOTBALL.

ARGYLLS PLAYER SUSPENDED FOR SEASON.

At the last meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Football Association, Bruce, of the Argylls, was suspended for the rest of the season for striking an opponent during the Second Division match against the Chinese Athletic Club on December 20.

At a previous meeting Lal Kwok-chiu, of the Chinese Athletic, was cautioned for ungentlemanly conduct in the Second Division match against the H.K.F.C. on December 13.

A meeting of the Council will be held on Tuesday at 5.30 p.m.



Jack Sharkey, whose foul blow gave Max Schmeling the heavyweight championship of the world. His challenge for a return fight went unaccepted.

NEW U.S. MACHINE.

OVER 200 MILES AN
HOUR.

An army observer reports at San Antonio (Texas) that a new type of army pursuit aeroplane passed over there at a speed estimated at between 250 and 300 miles an hour, and at an altitude of 15,000ft., en route for New York.

The machine, states Reuter, proposes to stop at Muskogee (Oklahoma), Kansas City (Missouri), and Columbus (Ohio), and it is hoped that on its return flight Capt. Hawker's record will be beaten.



Young Stibbling, a contender for the heavyweight crown, of which Max Schmeling has just been deprived.

There are some people who consider Davis the equal of Smith, but I am quite convinced that the vast majority of players are of the opinion that the champion has still some considerable distance to travel before he gets on the same plane as the Darlington cussman—Eliso Levi.

Mahary is easily the best flyweight I have seen since Elky Clark. I think Mahary carries more variety than Clark, although he is not so well balanced. But that will come in time. Harry Mahary.

BRITAIN'S FIRST CHOICE.

Idea of Abe Mitchell's
Game.

KEYNOTE IS DRIVING.

[By Harry Vardon.]
If public opinion were consulted, only about four men would be nominated as certain choices for the team of nine or ten British golf professionals who must visit the United States this year to defend the Ryder Cup and play in the American Open Championship. And I am sure that the first name to spring to most lips would be that of Abe Mitchell.

Accuracy and Length.

It seems to me that always the keynote of Mitchell's golf is his driving. He is by nature the best driver I have ever seen, with the possible exception of Bobby Jones. Other men may have hit the ball a little farther (although very little farther) than either of these two, but none has equalled their capacity to combine accuracy with length.

Putting Weak.

And the first quality that leaves Mitchell when he is not at his best is this pungency that one expects to find in his driving. The other attributes depart later, presumably because it is very difficult for anybody to retrieve with iron what he has lost with wood, and also be-

LATEST BOXING SENSATION.

Schmeling Suspended And
Deprived Of Title.

MANAGER SUSPENDED.

New York, Yesterday.

The State Commission has withdrawn Max Schmeling's world heavyweight title, and has also indefinitely suspended him and Joe Jacobs, his manager.

This all arises out of the refusal to defend his title against Jack Sharkey, the Boston sailor.—Reuter's American Service.

cause he has neither the style nor the temperament to make putting easy. The only way he can make putting easy is by giving himself very little of it to do.

Sound Instinct.

During the years in which Mitchell has struggled disconsolately in the doldrums, his driving has sometimes looked positively short. That is not his natural way. Even when I know it to be crooked, which is even more unlike him.

His ups and downs go to show that the average golfer is guided by a sound instinct when he says that, if only he can learn to hit good tee shots, he will play the rest of the game with enough confidence to be satisfied with himself.

Physical Powers.

How does Mitchell do it? Here is a question worthy of examination, for the model is after our own hearts in the sense that he does not appear to possess any marked physical advantages. Most very big hitters have been tall, broad-shouldered, and in every way built for the part. They include Edward Blackwell, Cyril Tolley, Douglas Roland, and (the longest hitter ever seen, although very few people have heard his name) a Frenchman named Maurice Dauge.

Any one of these might justifiably have been offered fortunes to play the part of Hercules for the films. Mitchell is not of that type. He is the ordinary man with an extraordinary secret in the art of long driving.

Pliability Of Back Muscles.

It appears to me that the methods which achieve this result are different from those employed by anybody else. I once asked Mitchell whence he obtained his power and accuracy in driving. He replied that it all came from the strength and pliability of his back muscles, which had obtained a valuable training during his younger days in gardening and road mending. This may be true as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough, and certainly does not account for the straightness of direction which is allied to distance.

Start Of Down Swing.

It seems to me that there is nothing unusual about the up swing, which is of normal pace and length. All the power is put into action by a movement which takes place at the start of the down swing.

I dare swear that at this juncture Mitchell "tucks in his tummy"—as Sandy Herd once told the Prince of Wales to do for the drive—and pushes out the back of his plus fours to such a degree that his head comes down some five or six inches nearer the ball.

Both Arms Straight.

The consequence is that he has to straighten both arms in order

GREAT HOPES FOR THE ARSENAL

GLITTERING PROSPECTS

TEAM ADJUDGED LONDON'S BRIGHTEST
CONSTELLATION.

PRIZES ARE ELUSIVE

[By J. A. H. Catton.]

There is a two-fold danger confronting Arsenal. A wholehearted, striving and skilful eleven are likely to be either spoiled by praise or clouded by criticism. Enthusiasts talk of the team capturing the Association Cup and crowning London's football history by winning the championship of the League. Not so fast, please.

It is well to keep a tight grip upon great expectations and not to spur on a team to the point where vaulting ambition overleaps itself. If Arsenal gain either prize no sensible follower of the game will be disappointed. It is not in mortals to command such a double event.

Evidence.

No man, however he may hope, can have any confidence about this club retaining the Cup, for the old lady at the wheel of fortune plays a more important part in Cup conquests than in League battles.

A study of the log-book gives evidence that Arsenal have a real chance of earning championship laurels. If we consider the gain or the loss of points on each match compared with the previous season, we shall see that Arsenal have gained eight points upon the last campaign.

No club has been so successful if tested by this method of ascertaining whether a team has progressed or deteriorated. Eight points are a lot when every match is "nae wee cock-fecht," but a muckle lang deldly battle."

There is Peril.

There is a peril in Portsmouth with a gain of six points and in Sheffield Wednesday, who are four points ahead of their great record last Spring, when they equalled the deeds of West Bromwich and Liverpool within the last decade.

Arsenal are well aware of the prowess of Portsmouth, who have only made three changes in the eleven who fought so gallantly at Wembley nearly two years ago. Arsenal know, too, what warriors Wednesday can be.

If Arsenal can maintain the standard of play which has brought them eight additional points, quite apart from dazzling victories over the promoted clubs on their grounds, they will have the honour of becoming champions in spite of such foemen.

Figures.

Another aspect of this subject is even more intriguing. The first line in the customary chart to-day emphasises their pre-eminence at the moment. The Highbury team have played 17 matches in the first three months of this season and satisfied their friends. The table which is appended shows at a glance the total points earned, the points won on the grounds of their adversaries, and the goal record of every club which has won the League championship since 1919-20 when each had played 17 matches:—

	Total	Away	Goal
	Pts.	Pts.	Record
1930 Arsenal	28	16	52-28
1929 Wednesday	23	12	40-22
1928 Wednesday	23	6	32-25
1927 Everton	24	10	50-22
1926 Newcastle	22	8	44-27
1925 Huddersfield	23	12	35-25
1924 Huddersfield	20	12	22-12
1923 Huddersfield	22	8	24-14
1922 Liverpool	23	8	38-19
1921 Liverpool	22	10	25-17
1920 Burnley	24	10	32-16
1919 West Brom	24	12	48-25

to come through at his object. There is no other way of reaching the ball now that his body has buckled towards the rear and his head has moved down as a natural corollary towards the ball. It is not a question of a straight left—or, for that matter, a straight right. Both arms are straight, and the back is in a position to exercise all the power that can be obtained from this fulcrum, writes Harry Vardon in the Sporting Dispatch.

Piston Rods.

Thus Mitchell hits with the muscles of his back. His arms are so straightened as a consequence of the way in which he "tucks in his tummy" and lowers his head that he does not use them as other people do. They serve to create a very wide sweep of the club head, and to communicate the power of the back muscles to the blow. They are like piston rods.

No Follow-Through.

I suppose it is because his arms are so rigid that Mitchell does not

This company represent the most formidable football formation in post-war tournaments, and the table throws Arsenal into a much bolder prominence than the current table of the First Division.

Best of All.

It is an axiom that no club ever won this League championship without a considerable measure of success on the grounds of their rivals. Many teams can win with ease "at home," but men of stout hearts as well as trained bodies, quick minds, and skilled feet are required to obtain regular successes away from home.

Not one of the last eleven champion clubs has earned 16 points away from home in 17 matches save Arsenal. Wednesday last season and Huddersfield in the last two years of their triple triumph have splendid figures, but only the latter in 1924 have a higher percentage of "away points" to their total points than Arsenal.

So much value is attached to these wins away from home that one is tempted to think that the League might depart from their simple system of reckoning and award at least three points for victories abroad.

The deduction from these figures is that Arsenal have shown character and cleverness where these telling qualities are most required.

And the London club's goal average is only excelled by Everton when Dean was superlative and by Burnley when this club had such power that they built a record never approached in League history.

In making these comparisons it should not be forgotten that up to 1924-25 goals were rather harder to get than they are now.

In their Grasp.

To my mind Arsenal have taken a more complete grasp of the revised off-side law than any team I have ever seen. They play a modern game, more complicated than any of the champions since 1925-26, writes J. A. H. Catton in the Evening Standard.

Their deadly manoeuvres, brought about by position play, produce goals. In no match have they failed to score, but in no contest up to the end of November have they prevented their opponents from scoring.

The only distinction that David Jack has reason to covet is a championship medal. He hoped for this decoration while Bolton Wanderers were at their zenith, but never was his ambition realised. It may be this season, for he is a member of a team that hath "both strength of limb and policy of mind."

Apart from Arsenal, it seems just to add that West Ham are four points ahead of last season, comparing the corresponding matches, that Tottenham Hotspur are five to the good, and that Charlton Athletic, Crystal Palace and Fulham are each two points better off on match play.

On the other hand, Brentford are four points to the bad, Queen's Park Rangers five, and Millwall eight. Arsenal stand out as London's brightest constellation. They ought to win the championship, for such a beginning is more than an inspiration: it is half the battle.

I sometimes wish that Mitchell could be endowed with the aggressiveness of Compton or the sang froid of Hagen. What a world-beater he would be with a little bit of each of these men in his character!

The contrast between facilities for young boxers here and in my own country is staggering to an American. In fact I have no hesitation in declaring that England is not breeding the class of boxer she should, solely because the boys are not given the chances they deserve.—Dave Shado.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS

From FRIDAY, JANUARY 9.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London December 18, 1930) Jeypore.
Japan and Shanghai Haruna Maru
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C. Dec. 20) Empress of J
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, Dec. 11, 1930) and Patroclus.
4, 1930)
SATURDAY, JANUARY 10.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Dec. 12) President Harrison
SUNDAY, JANUARY 11.
Shanghai and Amoy Tjisaraoca

OUTWARD MAILS

For WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7.
Swatow Van Heutsz 3.30 p.m.
Amoy Tainan 3.30 p.m.
Samohui and Wuchow Tai Hing 4 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan Yaukuni Maru 4.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Haiphong Canton 2.30 p.m.
Swatow Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Amoy Tjikarang 3 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A. (except California), C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria, B.C. Ixion
(Due Victoria, B.C., Feb. 3.)
Palais Jan. 7, 5 p.m.
Registration Jan. 8, 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

STRANDING OF THE S.S. KUTSANG.

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The Captain said that the object for his last altering of the course was to make Ta Thong Light dead ahead. The actual course was then east of Ta Thong. His intention was to change the course again after about a mile on. Both witness and the Chief Officer kept a sharp lookout for the light, but they had to pick it up from amongst the bright lights. Having regard to the height of Ta Thong Light, it should appear above the bright lights, but probably the glare of the bright lights interfered with the picking up of the Ta Thong Light. Apart from the light, witness said that he would be able to recognise the land but for the fact that the bright lights prevented this.

He sighted land just about when he expected he should be up to it and not before. He sighted land on the port bow, right ahead, but it was too dim to recognise it. The speed of the ship was then about 10 knots on the water, but in dodging the junks this would have been reduced.

Ship Aground.

Witness stood off, and the next thing he saw was Collinson Light. Unfortunately, he did not take it bearing, but thought it must have been about four points on the port bow. Shortly afterward the ship grounded, at 8.02 p.m. The position of the grounding was as per a chart which witness produced to the Court.

Immediately after the grounding witness gave orders for boats to be slung out and had everything well set. Then, finding that the ship was dry, he endeavoured to get her off. Finally she was got off at 8.59 p.m., and came in to port full ahead.

Out Of His Course.

Captain Liddell said that he now thought that he had passed Waglan closer than three miles, and that through dodging the fishing junks and not getting the set he had expected he had put to land on a different bearing. He asserted, however, that this would have made no difference if it had not been for the junks and the flares. He had expected to be in the visible sector of Ta Thong Light the whole time, and now he recognised that he must have gone out of his course after passing Waglan. When he did eventually pick up land, he was inclined to take what was on the port side for Hong Kong Island and that he had Ta Thong Island ahead. On the completion of the Captain's evidence, the Court adjourned to work out the bearings. Questions by Court.

When the Court was resumed, p.m.

VICEROY'S POWERS SHOULD REMAIN.

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two great experiments of the all-India federation and provincial autonomy.

They had been appealed to by Mr. Sapru not to adopt a non-possessum attitude, and he responded to that appeal, but because of his doubts he was bound to adopt a non-committal attitude to the question of responsibility at the centre.

Mr. Sapru then asked Sir Samuel Hoare to contemplate a federation without responsibility at the centre.

Sir Samuel Hoare replied that he wished to see the completed picture before answering and the Chairman said that the committee must now start and fill in the picture.

Moslems' Offer.

When the minorities sub-committee met again this afternoon Sir Muhammad Shafi made an offer on behalf of Moslems to forgo a separate electorate, but attached to the conditions which Dr. Moonje declared were unacceptable. Sir Muhammad Shafi said, although an overwhelming majority of Moslems still insisted on the retention of a separate electorate, the Moslem delegates would accept joint electorates if one condition were added to the offer made by Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, the Hindu Liberal, in his recent speech. Sir Chimanlal he recalled, had announced that Moslems should have the reservation that they retain their present weightage in the minority provinces and that before a candidate be declared elected he must have 40 per cent. of the votes of his own community, plus five to 10 per cent. of the votes of the other community.

Right of Majority.

Sir Setalvad had declared that Moslems should have the right of the majority in the Punjab and Bengal; he had not defined that expression.

Sir Muhammad Shafi, therefore, said that Moslems were prepared to accept joint electorates in deference to the community, and appeals to them provided the Hindus are willing to concede joint election rates to the Moslems in both Houses of the Legislative Councils on a population basis in proportion to their population in the case of the two provinces. That offer he described as the inducible minimum.

Dr. Moonje said that he was unable to accept Sir Muhammad Shafi's conditions, and pointed out that if all the claims all the minorities had made were accepted the Hindu majority would actually be in a minority of about 35 per cent. of the seats.

During the debate Dr. Moonje was invited to make proposals himself and it was indicated also that further suggestions might come from Moslems. The Premier said that he was still hopeful of settlement and proposed that he as Chairman should summarise the opposing claims in the form of a draft report, on which discussion might be resumed. He urged them meanwhile to continue their private conversation.—British Wireless Service.

London, Yesterday.

Conservatives, like Liberals, demand that the Viceroy's powers shall by no means be whittled down, whatever new form of Government obtain in India. Such is the gist of the speech of Sir Samuel Hoare before the committee of the Round Table Conference, when he declared that he desired to see federation safely and surely installed, but India at present could not defend herself. She was dependent on the British Army, which could not be controlled by any other than a British Government, and if there were a Defence Minister in the Cabinet how could his responsibility to the Crown be reconciled to the responsibility of other Ministers to the Legislature?

It was necessary in the interests of the minorities for the Viceroy to retain his over-riding

powers. The Indian Cabinet would not be unitary as the word was understood in Britain, and if the Viceroy were not the effective head of the Executive Government, how could he exercise his reserved powers.

Conference to End.

Reuter understands that in view of the progress made and the fact that all reports of the sub-committees will be submitted about the end of next week, the Indian Round-Table Conference will terminate on January 21, the majority of delegates returning on January 23.

Liberal Support.

London, Yesterday. Lord Reading has informed the Round Table Committee considering the position of the Liberals and executive in relation to the central legislature, that the British are generally prepared to support the proposals of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru as to responsible government in India, providing there are adequate safeguards enabling the Government to be carried on with reasonable security for all interests. Sir Tej Sapru had urged the introduction of a Cabinet collectively responsible to the legislature, with the exception of defence and foreign affairs, which would be administered by Ministers appointed by the Viceroy, the latter to have power to call on the Ministry to resign if he felt it had lost the confidence of the legislature, and he would retain an over-riding power ensuring the maintenance of law and order, and could veto any measure passed.

Before the Federal Structure Sub-Committee of the Round Table Conference, Sir H. Hoare, on behalf of the conservative delegation, declared he must at present adopt a non-committal attitude. He pointed out that two great experiments—provincial autonomy and the all-India federation—were being introduced, and declared he reserved his opinion regarding the responsibility at the centre until the details of the federal scheme were more complete.

Prohibited Speech.

Bombay, Yesterday. Valabhai Patel has been sentenced to nine months' simple imprisonment, on a charge of making a prohibited speech, for which he was arrested at Ahmedabad a month ago.

Gandhi Jnr. Jailed.

Surat, Yesterday. Gandhi's son, Ramdas Gandhi, arrested on December 19, has been sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment. He was arrested for making a speech on civil disobedience.

Raid On Congress.

Karachi, Yesterday. All the Congress organisations in Karachi have been declared unlawful. The police at midnight raided thirteen premises and seized everything.

Three Congress organisations in Hyderabad have also been declared unlawful.—Reuter.

ACID IN FACE.

YOUNG WOMAN ASSAULTED IN HILL STREET.

Whilst out for a walk in Hill Street yesterday, near the Man Yuen Restaurant, a Chinese woman, Wong Pui-mui (25), of 564 Queen's Road West, had some corrosive fluid thrown at her face, causing some burns.

She was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where her condition is reported to be serious. The wanted man is described as being about 22 or 23 years of age.

RESCUER HURT.

KNOCKED DOWN IN TRYING TO SAVE ANOTHER.

In trying to save a boy from being run over by a motor bus, a Chinese girl named Lam Chi (18), living at 51, Wai Shing Street, was yesterday knocked down by a Kai Tak motor bus, near the Hung Hom Market.

It is stated that the girl ran in front of the vehicle. She was taken to hospital and is in a serious condition.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—
Bank, wire 1/-
Bank, on demand 1/-
Bank, 4 months' sight 1/- 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/- 11/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/- 13/16
On Paris—
On demand 617 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 657 1/2
On New York—
On demand 24 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight 25 1/2
On Bombay—
Wire 67 1/2
On demand 67 1/2
On Calcutta—
Wire 67 1/2
On demand 67 1/2
On Singapore—
On demand 43 1/2
On Manila—
On demand 43 1/2
On Shanghai—
On demand Tls. 74
Dollar 1 1/2 % dis.
On Yokohama—
On demand 48 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 13 11/16
Silver (per oz.) 1/- 3/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong 4% prem.
Copper Cash Nominal
Copper Cents 3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest 3 1/2 % p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 23% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin 1/4 % prem.

LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.
Paris 123.67 1/2
New York 4.85 17/32
Brussels 34.79 1/2
Geneva 25.05 1/2
Amsterdam 12.06 1/2
Milan 92.72 1/2
Berlin 20.40
Stockholm 18.13 1/2
Copenhagen 18.16 1/2
Oslo 18.16
Vienna 34.50 1/2
Prague 163 1/2
Helsinki 198
Madrid 45.90
Lisbon 108.24
Athens 375
Bucharest 818
Rio 47 1/2
Buenos Aires 35
Montevideo 35
Bombay 1/5 3/4
Shanghai 1/4 1/2
Hong Kong 1/10 1/2
Yokohama 2/10 1/2
Silver Spot 13 11/16
Silver Forward 13 1/2
—British Wireless Service.

CLERK CHARGED.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT OF \$5.20.

When the case against Cheung Chak-pui, a clerk, employed by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., who is charged with the alleged embezzlement of \$5.20, was mentioned in the Second Court this morning, defendant did not appear, and Acting Detective-Sub-Inspector O'Donovan informed Mr. K. H. Williams that defendant was on bail of \$1,000. He added that Mr. H. C. Macnamara had been instructed to appear for the prosecution.

His Worship fixed hearing for Tuesday, at 11.15 a.m.

BARRACKS THEFT.

CORPORAL ACTS AS A DETECTIVE.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning with the larceny of a rattan basket, and some rope and sacks, from Mount Austin Barracks, an unemployed Chinese pleaded guilty. The complainant was Private Millard, of the South Wales Borderers.

Prosecuting, Sub-Inspector Stewart Logan said that the defendant was caught in the barracks' room, and was carrying the basket. In fact, he was seen to put the sacks and rope into the basket by a Corporal who had suspected him. Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

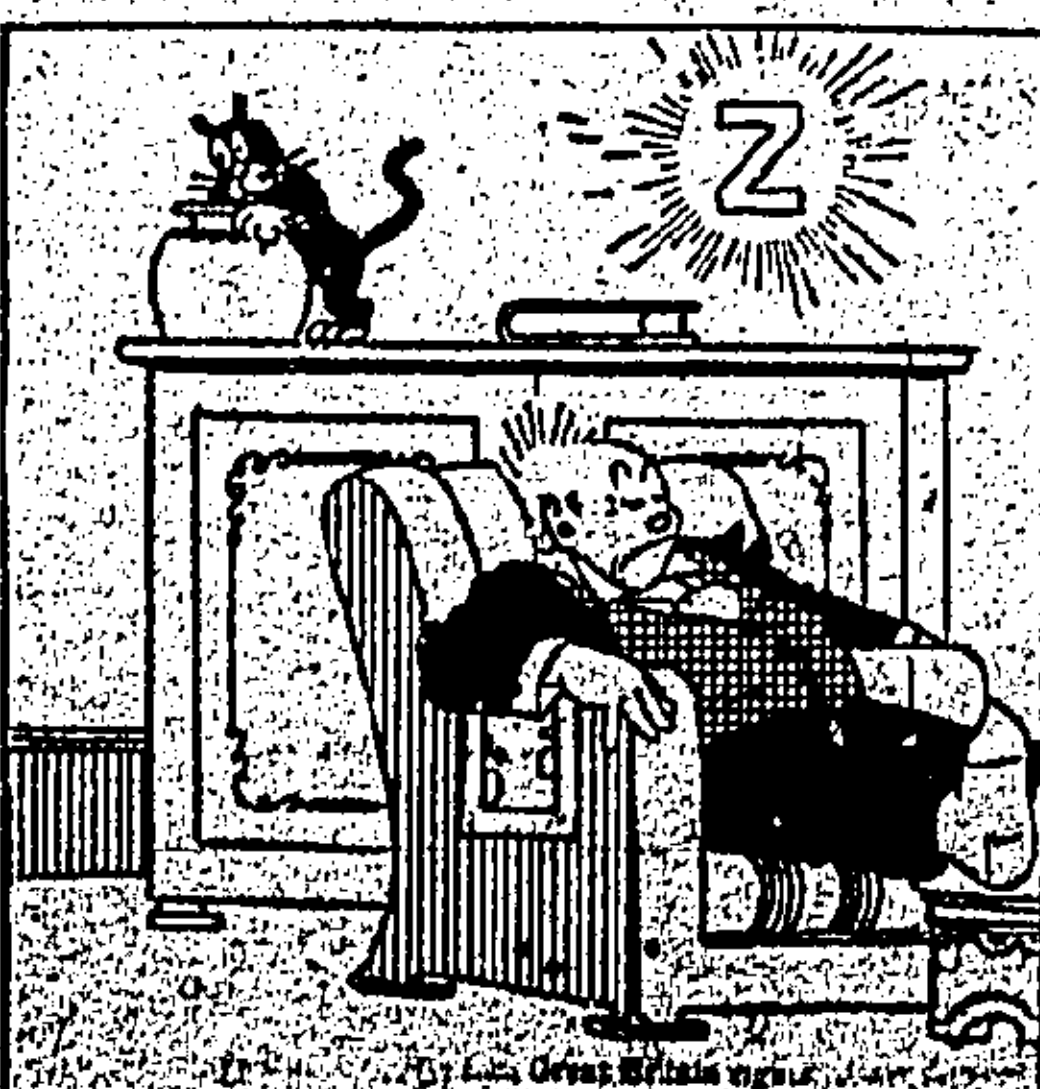
Opening Daily Official Quotations 7th Jan., 1931.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nom.	Fin.	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1825	...	...	...	Dec.	(Interim 2 1/2 % a/c 1930 at 1/10 = \$44.45) Aug. 11, 30
Chartered Bank	...	...	...	...	Dec.	(Interim 7 1/2 % free 1/7 tax a/c 1930 (Tat. 2 1/2 % a/c 1930 less 1/7 tax) Sep. — 30
Mercantile Bk., Ltd.	...	...	...	...	Dec.	(Tat. 2 1/2 % a/c 1930 less 1/7 tax) Sep. — 30
Bank of Asia	115	...	...	...	Dec.	\$5 for 1929 Feb. 28, 30
Insurance.						
Canon Ins.	...	...	...	1240	Dec.	(Final 2 1/2 % for 1929 (Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929) = \$15 May 16, 30
Union Ins.	581	...	391 1/2	...	Dec.	(Final 1 1/2 % for 1929 (Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929) = \$47 May 30, 30
*China Underwriters	3.10	3.30	...	...	Dec.	None
China Fire Ins.	450	...	...	...	Dec.	(Final 2 1/2 % bonus \$0 (Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929) = \$15 May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	1325	...	...	...	Dec.	\$47 for 1929 Mar. 26, 30
Shipping.						
Douglases	...	...	...	28 1/2	1/10	Last dividend for 1924 Mar. 4, 30
H. K. Steamboats	...	31	30 1/2	...	Dec.	(1 1/2 % a/c 1929 on preferred (Final 1 1/2 % for 1929) = \$47 June 18, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	...	45	Dec.	(Final 1 1/2 % for 1929 (Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929) = \$47 May 30, 30
Shell Transport	...	...	...	10/8	Dec.	(Interim 1 1/2 % bonus \$0 (Final 1 1/2 % a/c 1929) = \$47 Pending Mar. 12, 30
Union Waterboats	...	32	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929
Mining.						
Benguet	...	...	...	11.10	Dec.	(Final 4 1/2 % bonus (making Pate 1.20 for 1929 (Final 4 1/2 % for 1929) = \$47 Dec. 31, 30
Kailan Mining Ad. V.	...	...	...	28/0	June	(making 1 1/2 % for 1929 and 1930 (making 1 1/2 % for 1929 and 1930) = \$47 Dec. 30, 30
Langkat	...	...	...	8 1/2	Dec.	(making 1 1/2 % for 1929 and 1930 (making 1 1/2 % for 1929 and 1930) = \$47 May 8, 30
*Shai Exploration	...	...	...	2 1/2	Dec.	None
*Loans	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 (Final 1 1/2 % for 1929) = \$47 July 1, 30
*Raupe	37	...	...	...	Mar.	(Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 (Final 1 1/2 % for 1929) = \$47 Dec. 15, 30
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Wharves	173	...	178 1/2	...	Dec.	\$0 for 1929 Mar. 12, 30
H. K. & W. Docks	80	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924
South Ch. Motors	...	...	...	10	...	...
*China Provident (old)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924
(new)	2.60	2.70	2.60	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 (Final 1 1/2 % for 1929) = \$47 Sep. 12, 30
Hongkong	...	...	...	28 1/2	Dec.	T. 0.40 for 1929 Feb. 28, 30
N. Engineering	...	...	...	7.10	Dec.	T. 7 for year 20-25-30 July 30, 30
Shanghai Docks	117	...	...	...	Apr.	...
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. K. & S. Hotels	19.10	19 1/2	...	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1929 Apr. 7, 30
H.K. Lands (old)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 Aug. 8, 30
(new A)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 July 31, 30
(new B)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 May 7, 30
Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 Sep. 4, 30
Humphreys (Cum Res.)	17.40	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 Sep. 4, 30
H. K. Realities	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 1 1/2 % a/c 1929 Sep. 4, 30
Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...	Dec.	\$3 for year 20-25-30 July 31, 30
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewo Cotton	...	19.00	12.60	13	Dec.	Final T. 2 a/c 1929 Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton	34	...	87 1/2	...	Apr. and Oct. 1930	T. 2-25 for half year 31-10-30 Nov. 30, 30
Zoong Sing	10	...	...	...	June	T. 0.81 for year 20-25-30 Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways	...	18.10	18 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 40 cents a/c 1930 Aug. 27, 30
Peak Tram (old)	...	...	...	...	Apr.	(30 cts. on old) for year (40 cts. on new) 30-3-30 June 15, 30
(new)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	\$4 for 1929 Feb. 14, 30
Star Ferry	...	...	...	...	Dec.	\$4 for 1929 Dec. 14, 30
*China Light	...	25.00	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
H. K. Electric	...	31 1/2	32 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
Macao	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
H. K. Tel. fully paid	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
part paid	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
China Buses	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
*Port Tractors (Ord.)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
(Pref.)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c 1929-30-30 Mar. 12, 30
Industrials.						
China Sugars	...	...	...	...	Dec.	In liquidation
Malayan Sugars	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Pa. 3 for 1928 Apr. 11, 30
Cald. Macg. Ord.	...	...	...	...	Dec.	(T. 0.80) 7 months 1929 Apr. 30, 30
Pref.	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Canton Ice	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
*Commerc. (com.)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
(old)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
(new)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
H. K. Ropes	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farm (old)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929 Mar. 14, 30
(new)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	70 cents for year 31-10-30 Mar. 31, 30
Watsons	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Der A Wings	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Lanc Crawfords	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Mackintosh	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Sincere	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Wm. Powells	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusement	...	...	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for year 31-3-31 Sept. 27, 30
Ch. Entertainment	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...
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PARISIAN ACTRESS IN "MOVIETONE FOLLIES."

LAST SCREENING TO-DAY.

Yola D'Avril, who has a prominent role in "The New Movietone Follies of 1930," which is showing in the Queen's Theatre, is one of the few foreign born players who have survived the advent of audible pictures.

Born in Paris, Yola went on the stage at an early age, and toured Europe in "Paris d'Amuse." Going to America to fill a dancing engagement she decided to stay, and struck out for Hollywood. After serving as an extra, she won her first worth-while part in "The Dressmaker from Paris." Her latest pictures are "Double Cross Roads" and "Born Reckless."

The feature roles of the 1930 edition of "Movietone Follies" are enacted by El Brendel, Marjorie White, William Collier, jun., Noel Francis, Frank Richardson and Miriam Seegar. Benjamin Stoloff directed the production.

"SARAH AND SON."

Once upon a time Fredric March was the husband of Ruth Chatterton. Now he is a bachelor in love with her.

For anything can happen in the films. March was Miss Chatterton's husband in "The Dummy," famous comedy-drama of nearly a year ago. He is her lover in "Sarah and Son" Paramount's newest romance-drama, which is now showing in the Central Theatre.

"Sarah and Son" is a story of a poverty-stricken young singer who is deserted by her husband and who is forced to suffer separation from her infant son, whom she loves very much. She shapes her destiny for one purpose—the reunion of herself and her boy. After years of toil she becomes a successful operatic singer. With the means to support her child in luxury she finds herself confronted with the intrigue of a married couple who have adopted the boy after the death of her errant husband.

In her battle to retrieve the child she is aided by a young lawyer who soon becomes her lover. It is their final heroic effort to gain custody of her child, now eleven years old, which forms the exciting and engrossing climax for this powerful film.

Miss Chatterton plays the role of Sarah. Phillippe de Lacy is cast as her eleven-year-old son. "Sarah and Son" was one of the more popular movies of 1929. Its adaptation for the movies was written by Zoe Akins, poetess and playwright. Dorothy Arzner, Paramount's only woman director, wielded the megaphone.

"THE UNHOLY THREE."

"Maybe I'll fool 'em—and sing." So remarked Lon Chaney when he recently signed his all-talking picture contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. And now he's proving true to his word.

The "man of a thousand faces" sings "Sweet Rosie O'Grady" in "The Unholy Three," his first talking picture, which will be shown to-morrow in the Queen's Theatre. He does it, however, in the squeaky voice of a ventriloquist's dummy, as part of his "act" in the picture, in which he plays the sinister "Professor Echo."

The new picture is a drama of a side show ventriloquist, midget and giant who band together in a strange plot. Ivan Linow plays the giant, and Harry Earles, who played the midget in the original silent version some years ago, appears in his old role. Lila Lee is the heroine and Elliott Nugent the romantic lead. Jack Conway directed.

Though the idea of Chaney singing caused some surprise around the studio, Chaney said he does not see why it should inasmuch as he sang on the musical comedy stage for many years previous to entering film work.

"THE VAGABOND KING."

The droop of an eye-lid or an old quirk of the mouth may be more expressive of character than pages of dialogue, in the estimation of P. O. Heggie, favourite talking picture actor who deserted the stage for the films about a year ago, and who since has played roles of artistic excellence in a great number of screen productions.

In his most recent production, Paramount's spectacular all-colour song romance, "The Vagabond King," which comes to the Central Theatre on Saturday next, Heggie puts his theory into practice.

He was assigned to the role of King Louis XI of France, in support of Dennis King's lead as Francois Villon, the poet-royal who becomes sovereign for a week. Before the picture started production Heggie made an intensive study of the monarch; he was to portray. He absorbed all that his

RADIO STUDIO.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER.

Actual hours of transmission totalled 280 of which 165 were devoted to European Programmes and 115 to Chinese, as follows:—

	European Chinese	Chinese
Morning Transmissions including Commercial News and Church Relays	52 1/2	43 1/2
Evening Transmissions	112 1/2	71 1/2
	165	115

Monthly percentage: 58.93 41.07
During the month the following items were broadcast:—
European Relays 10
Running Commentaries 2
European Studio Concerts 5
Dance Programme 19
Chinese Relays 7
Chinese Studio Concerts 5
(European) Children's Programmes 5
(Chinese) Children's Programmes 5
(Chinese) Lectures 2
Details as per attached list.
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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:—

5-6 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
6-6.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's Programme.
7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records selected and supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
7-8 p.m.—Variety.

Band—
A Brass Band Rehearsal (Weston & Lee).
The Laughter Makers (16).

Song—
Squint-Eyed Cactus Jones, Mack Allen, Baritone (118).
Orchestral—
Amina (Egyptian Serenade) (Lincke).
Tesoro Mio (Buccell).
The London Novelty Orch. (139).

Entertainer—
When My Lady Walked in Her Garden Green, Norman Long (317).
Orchestral—
King of Jazz—Selections, The Midnight Minstrels (124).

Humorous Song—
Macpherson's Wedding Breakfast, Will Fyffe (138).
Vocal Quartet—
Here We Are, The Big Four (162).

Duet—
Hush! Here Comes the Dream Man, I Don't Want to Play in Your Yard, Evelyn Griffiths & Master Charles Hawtrey (Boy & Girl Soprano) (142).

Pianoforte Solo—
Love Race, Billy Mayerl (188).
Vocal Duet—
More Than You Know, Layton & Johnston (315).

8-8.25 p.m.—Cockney Suite.
A State Procession (Buckingham Palace) (Ketelbey).
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The Cockney Lover (Lambeth Walk) (Ketelbey).
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Thoughts on Passing the Cenotaph (Ketelbey).
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Frank Holiday (happy 'amstead) (Ketelbey).
Albert Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra (9862).

8.25-8.30 p.m.—
Jungle Drums (Ketelbey).
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8.30-9 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital from the Studio by Miss L. Pecker.
Rhapsodic Hongroise (No. 15).
F. Liszt.

Tambourin Rameau Godowsky
Nocturne Op. 48 F. Chopin
Faust Gounod-Liszt
Musical Box A. Ladow
9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

9.05-9.40 p.m.—Orchestral.
Peer Gynt Suite (Grieg).
The Classical Symphony Orchestra (18).

Memories of Beethoven,
The Legal Salon Orchestra (14).

Tancredi—Overture (Rossini).
B.B.C. Wireless Military Band (155).

Memories of Mozart,
The Legal Salon Orchestra (10).

9.40-10 p.m.—
Ballad Memories
Where My Caravan Has Rested,
Little Grey Home in the West,
O Dry Those Tears,
Floral Dance,
Rose in the Bud,
She's Far from the Land Maize,
My Girl,
Because
Quentin M. Maclean, Organist (135).

Mignon—Gavotte (Thomas).
Moment Musical (Schubert).
Harp Ensemble (109).

10-10.30 p.m.—Experimental Relay Period.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

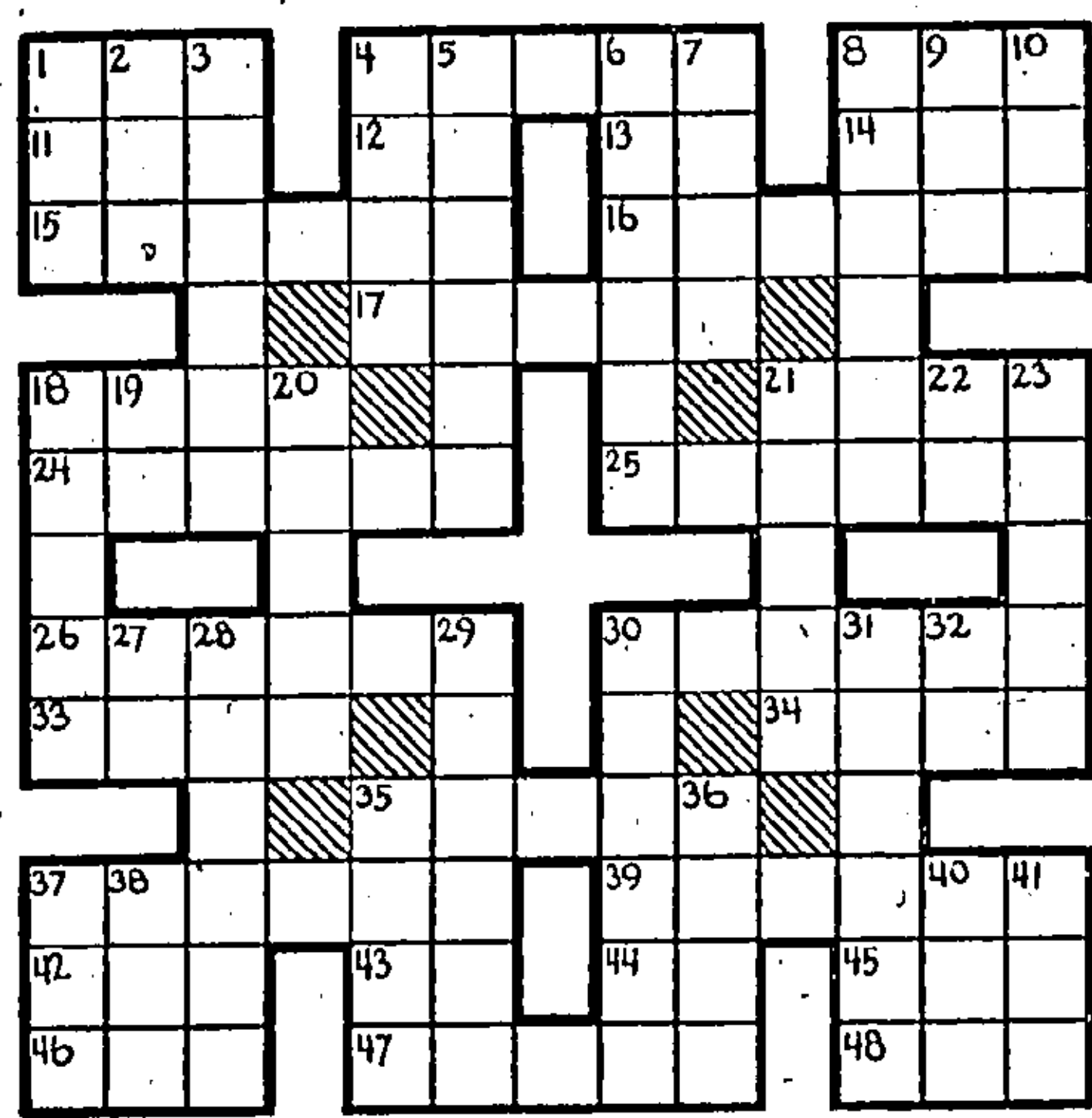
story and the arts could provide.

His investigations revealed that the King was a querulous, "grandmotherly" sort of individual of weak character and pettish disposition.

In transforming himself into the old French King, Heggie adopted a peculiar half-petulant, half-crabbed twist of the mouth. Although it was altogether foreign to his own naturally smiling expression he did not find it difficult to maintain.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
1-Rim or edge, as of a glass
4-The ginged box
8-A hobby
11-Suffice—same as
12-Note of the scale
13-Short for Alfred
14-Metal-bearing rock
15-Great city of New England
16-More precious
17-To call forth or draw out
18-Let stand (Print)
21-Melody
24-Sultry
25-A golf club
26-Obtained
30-Implement for mowing and reaping
33-Ruler of Persia
34-Black substance deposited by smoke
35-Mean hatred
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
37-Slackly twisted
38-Male deer
39-A vegetable
42-A small stream
43-Myself
44-Half an em
45-Meadow
46-Still
47-Small islands
48-Determined
- VERTICAL**
1-A stroke in tennis
2-Combining form
3-To beat in an annoying way
4-A medicinal plant
5-Marked with bands
6-One who acts wildly or rashly
7-To the lee side
8-Did not remember
9-Exist
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
10-German for "the"
11-Toward
12-That which is true
21-Remains
22-A compass point (abbr.)
23-To address
24-Interjection
25-Mental ability
26-Familiar Italian city
27-Long wooden seat
30-Whole sums or amounts
32-Interjection
33-Prefix—half
36-Vast time-period
37-To weep
38-To regret
40-Little mound used in golf
41-A cereal grass

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



GEORGE EDWARDES REPAID.

His Widow — and the Man in the Box.

A twenty-year-old debt was graciously repaid at Daly's Theatre on September 20.

Mrs. George Edwardes, the widow of the celebrated theatre manager, visited the theatre for the first time in seven years with her children and grandchildren.

Not a single seat was available, but one man who had a party in the royal box, hearing of the management's dilemma, offered to surrender the box to Mrs. Edwardes and come another evening. "Nearly twenty years ago," he said, "I went to George Edwardes when I was at the end of my resources. He could not give me a job, but he gave me a fiver. That £5 meant a lot to me, then, and I am glad to have the opportunity of making some return for that timely assistance."

HARD WORK!

HOLLYWOOD TELLS ITS TALE!

Frederick Blackman, the British theatrical producer, stopped a while in Hollywood, on his way to Sydney, to produce "Sons of Gunga." So says Douglas South of the Sydney Sun. There he met and had a long talk with his old friends and fellow countrymen, Frederick Lonsdale, the playwright, and P. G. Wodehouse, the author. Lonsdale he found almost a nervous wreck. "Back in England I thought if I wrote one play a year I had done a good year's work, and I'd sit back and take life easy for six months or so. Here, in Hollywood, they almost expect me to write a play a fortnight. This is going to be the big problem of the talkies of the future." We playwrights and authors can't keep up the output of scenarios and turn out good work.

Wodehouse was also willing. Mr. Blackman found. Being witty week by week is undermining even his iron constitution as a comic writer.

TALKIE BLOW TO MUSICIANS.

The Stoll Orchestra Dismissed.

The management of the Stoll Cinema, Kingsway, W.C., announces that, owing to the continued public demand for "talkies," it had been found necessary to discontinue the services of the orchestra, consisting of sixteen musicians.

"We are extremely sorry to have to take this action, but for some weeks now the orchestra has been doing nothing at all in the evenings," an official of the company told a representative of The Daily Telegraph. "As their combined salaries amounted to £120 a week, it meant expending this sum without any return."

"That, of course, was not the musicians' own fault. It was simply because we have to put two talking pictures in our programmes to meet the wish of our patrons."

"Should we decide to re-engage an orchestra in the future, the men who have now been displaced will have first preference."

CARLTON FILMS.

REFUSAL OF QUOTA CERTIFICATE.

The statutory first meetings of the creditors and shareholders of Carlton Films (1929), Shaftesbury Avenue, W.C., which was formed in July, 1929, to produce a film styled "Downstream" and to give it British nationality, were held on November 7, at the Board of Trade offices, Carey Street, W.C.

Mr. W. F. Naunton, Official Receiver, reported that the company was incorporated in July, 1929, to produce films. Mr. G. G. Glavany, the managing director, had stated that he was an Italian subject and came to England in September, 1928, from France, where for six years he had been producing films. In February, 1929, he entered into a contract with an English firm to produce the silent film "Downstream."

The contract provided that not only should the film be passed by the Board of Film Censors, but that it should be registered as a British quota film under the Cinematograph Films Act, 1927. The film was produced in July, 1929, at a cost of £8,000. It was passed by the Board of Film Censors, but the Board of Trade refused to grant it a British quota certificate on the ground that the initial contracts for the production of the film were entered into by Mr. Glavany prior to the formation of the company.

The liabilities were roughly estimated at £5,000. In the opinion of the Official Receiver the company had been insolvent from the start. The liquidation was left in the hands of the Official Receiver.

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MOSCOW FILM FOR CHINA.

Incitement Against Foreigners.

Berlin, Oct. 22.

The Blue Express now being shown at the Mozirisal, in Berlin, is the latest film produced by the official Soviet Film Company, Sovkino, of Moscow, in the interest of the world revolution. It incites the Chinese to violence against white residents, and if the lawless elements in the interior need any inspiration to attack trains or shoot missionaries the Blue Express supplies it. The possibilities offered by a raid on a trans-Siberian express, for instance, are skilfully suggested.

The action takes place in the "Blue Express" as it rushes through the night over a line "connecting a Chinese city with the frontier." Glimpses of the various coaches show, in the first class white people eating, drinking, and dancing. Among them are "concessionaires, financiers, and adventurers"; a priest, two women missionaries, and the white "President of a Chinese Province," guarded by a corrupt and oily Chinese general and a detachment of Chinese soldiers. In the second class are the bourgeoisie, Chinese merchants and students depicted as sycophants and traitors to their own kin. Huddled together on the hard wooden seats of the third class are the coolies, and in the cattle waggon, herded on the bare floor under the eyes of two white overseers, are Chinese children, sold into slavery at the foreign-owned cotton mills. Simple minds presumably would not cavil at the film because there are no white Presidents of Chinese Provinces; the film attains its object, which is vividly to contrast the rich, powerful, and greedy whites with the downtrodden, "Brutal Overseers."

The two brutal overseers, dressed in clothes which the uninformed might take for some kind of British uniform, become tipsy and one of them assaults a young Chinese girl. He is strangled by her brother, and his companion, still drunk, wildly fires his revolver, hitting a Chinese woman with a baby at the breast. Meanwhile, the news that a white man has been killed spreads through the train, and the Chinese soldiers are sent to arrest the murderer. The coolies protect him, overcome the soldiers, seize arms from the train's cargo (consignee by the white oppressors), and, after a pitched battle with the whites in which the "President" is killed, they capture the train. A Frenchman, being ordered to divert the express on to a dead line refuses, and it thunders with its revolutionary burden triumphantly "over the frontier into freedom"—namely, into Soviet Russia.

There is a special public for such films in Berlin, and each time a white man was killed or thrown overboard there was loud applause. It is not the effect on the German mind, however, which gives reason for concern, for these films are made for the teeming Chinese cities.

ANDREE EXPEDITION.

Films Restored To Admit Projection.

Much interest has been aroused at Stockholm by the announcement that ten of the films found with the remains of the ill-fated Andree North Pole expedition have been sufficiently restored to admit projection.

Ten other still-pictures are also fairly well preserved, giving, altogether, a good view of the landing of the balloon on White Island. Each of the films is about 90 feet long.

OBERAMMERGAU ACTORS.

The performers and others associated with the production of the Oberammergau Passion Play have now received their share of the profits (states a Berlin message).

J. G. Lang, who directed the production, received £400, and Diemer, who controlled the chorus, £350. The two men who filled the main role and the role of Caiaphas each got £275. The tenor-soloist was paid £210, the members of the crowd each from £65 to £125, and each child £15.

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NOTEWORTHY EVENING.

A dinner of dual significance was given by the Kuala Lumpur Rotary Club recently, when the first ladies' night to be held since the inauguration of the Club took place, the occasion being made notable by the presence of a number of distinguished guests.

The Hon'ble Mr. S. Veerasamy presided over a gathering of about 120, and among those present were H.E. Mr. John Scott and Mrs. Scott, the Hon'ble Mr. C. W. H. Cochrane and Mrs. Cochrane, the Hon'ble Mr. L. H. Elphinstone, K.C., and Mrs. Elphinstone, Dame Clara Butt and Mr. Kennerley Rumbold.

Prior to dinner being served, many of the members of the Club and their guests were presented to Dame Clara Butt. There were both Indian and Chinese ladies present, the occasion probably being the first upon which ladies of these nationalities have dined in public in Kuala Lumpur.

After the President had proposed the loyal toast, Mr. A. B. Jordan proposed the health of "The Visitors," coupling with it the name of His Excellency the acting High Commissioner.

Singapore's Example.

Responding to the toast, His Excellency expressed his pleasure at having an opportunity to express the thanks of the visitors for the Club's warm hospitality. As a Rotarian and one of the original members of the Singapore club, it gave him great pleasure to be there. He had been very interested to be a visitor to another Rotary club for the first time, and he congratulated the Kuala Lumpur Club on holding its first ladies' night.

Though the Kuala Lumpur Club might claim seniority by two years over Singapore, Singapore could claim to have given the lead in the matter of ladies' nights, for only a few days ago the Singapore Club had the honour of entertaining Dame Clara Butt and Mr. Kennerley Rumbold in the same way as the Kuala Lumpur Club was doing.

He wished the Kuala Lumpur Club every success and thanked the members very sincerely on behalf of the guests for their hospitality.

The President proposed the toast of Dame Clara Butt who, he said, had been described as Britain's Queen of Song. She was a queen whose empire was as boundless as the sea, for it was an empire holding sway over the hearts of millions of the human race. (Applause). No estimate of her would be complete that did not take into account her many services to her country during the Great War (Applause). All of the funds her genius could raise were placed at the disposal of the maimed, the stricken and the wounded (Applause), and her songs brought joy and gladness to thousands of sorrowing and broken hearts.

Dame Clara's Reply.

"If I had prepared anything, I have no breath left, because it has been taken away by the kind words of your President," said Dame Clara Butt in responding. "I wish I could think I deserved half he has said. I have always been grateful that I could sing because it has taken me among people and to wonderful places. I thank, God again, because it has brought me to this place the name of which I cannot pronounce." (Laughter and applause).

"I am going to tell them in London how wonderful it is to see so many different races represented, all in such harmony. It does one good. It has been a real pleasure to meet such charming people. If I felt less, I could say much more, but I do just thank you very much, and emphasise again in my great pleasure at being with you." (Applause).—Malay Mail.

BRITISH TALKIES TO THE FRONT.

S. L. Rothafel (Rox), who controls the famous Rox theatre in New York, the world's largest theatre, passed through London recently. He has gone to the Continent, where, he declares, he will forget all about films for a while and take a good holiday. Speaking of increasing signs of success by British dialogue pictures in America, Mr. Rothafel, in guarded language expressed the belief that one reason was that Britain had the artists. "Talkies," he was convinced, had only just begun and tremendous developments would come again—probably wide screen first.

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